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Scouting for Food



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Grayling Cub and Boy Scouts distributed bags for the Scouting for Food program on Saturday. All food collected will go to the Crawford County Christian Help Center. Anyone donating food for the program is encouraged to place their bags out by their front doors by 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 21, so the Scouts can collect them. Cub Scout Pack #3993 and Boy Scout Troops #979 and #996 are participating in the project. Above, Troy Summers, a member of Cub Scout Pack #3993, ties a bag on the front door of a home located on Ole Dam Road.

Grayling City Police shifts remain at status quo

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A shift change for City of Grayling Police officers has been put on hold.

Grayling City officials and representatives for the Michigan Fraternal Order of Police ended a stand off last week over a proposal to change the hours that officers work.

The city agreed to return to having officers work 12-hour shifts rather than 8-hour shifts, which were scheduled to start on April 14. In return, the police union agreed to drop an unfair labor practice charge filed against the city and withdrew a request for a court injunction seeking to block the schedule change.

Detective Dennis Long, the union steward for the Grayling City Police Department officers, said that the department has been on 12-hour shifts since April, 1987.

Long said working the longer shifts is a win-win for small police agencies, emergency dispatchers, hospital employees and other emergency responders. Long said the work schedule

with the 12-hour shifts allows the officers to spend every other weekend with their families.

"It was a morale boost for the employees and was financially advantageous for the employer," Long said.

Grayling City Manager David Thayer is seeking to change the schedule so that officers work no more than 12-hours at a time.

Thayer, who acts as police commissioner under the city charter, said he fears diminished effectiveness when police work over 12-hours. He also believes working the longer shifts exposes the city to increased liability.

According to court records, officers have worked over 12-hours 34 times within the last year.

The agreement between the police union and the city gives the city discretion on when and who to assign overtime when an officer is not able to work their scheduled shift.

The five officers for the police department are currently working under terms of a contract which expired on June 30, 2006.

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Students help plan menus with survey

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

When it comes to eating chicken for lunch at the Grayling Elementary School, make theirs barbeque – thank you.

Students in Sandy Baynham's fifth grade class recently completed a survey on behalf of Crawford AuSable School District's nutrition and food services department to see what they liked and disliked about the meals being served for lunch and breakfast.

As part of their math curriculum, the students surveyed their fellow fifth graders on what they would like to see maintained on the menu and items they would prefer to see.

"We tried to make the project a personal connection, and that was a great way for the kids to learn and see results from that," Baynham said.

The students compiled the data, interpreted the results and displayed the results in graphs and charts.

Changes have already been

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Photo by Dan Sanderson

Students in Sandy Baynham's fifth grade class recently completed a survey on behalf of Crawford AuSable School District's nutrition and food services department to see what they liked and disliked about the meals being served for lunch and breakfast. Above, Casey Nichols, 11, a student in Baynham's class, who worked on the survey, enjoys the barbeque chicken that was recently added to the menu as a result of the feedback gathered from the survey.

Power outage caused by high winds, snow

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Two power outages last week brought business to a halt in Grayling.

The first power outage occurred on 5:20 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11.

Terry DeDoes, spokesperson for Consumers Energy, said the outage effected 2,893 served by the Grayling substation. The outage was caused by a broken power pole.

Winds at the time were 25 mph with gusts of up to 30 to 35 mph, said Mike Cellitti, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service office in Gaylord. The heavy wet, snow on the power lines, combined with the high winds, likely caused the power pole to break, Cellitti said.

Work crews were able to isolate the power lines, and restored power at 11:39 p.m.

The power went out again between 7:28 a.m. and 9:25 a.m. on Thursday, April 12.

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Crawford County Library to host annual Trout Fishing Opener

The Crawford County Library has one of the largest public accessible fly-fishing literature collections in the United States, and many of the books within the collection are rare, one of a kind and only available to the public to view in Grayling.

Much of this was due to the generosity and dedication of members of the founding chapter of Trout Unlimited.

Trout Unlimited has always been driven by the principles that if you proactively take care of the rivers and the fish, the fishing will take care of itself.

This too, is the philosophy of the Crawford County Library System's Director Bambi Mansfield-Sanderson, as she builds the collection of fly fishing literature in the name of George Griffith and Marion Wright.

"I couldn't possibly have built the fly fishing collection to this

level of recognition had it not been for the passion and generosity of others," Mansfield-Sanderson said. "In the last year, over 150 books have been donated in honor and memory of many anglers who fished alongside George Mason, Marion Wright and George Griffith."

The Crawford County Library will be hosting its annual Trout Fishing Opener from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, April 27 at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library.

The evening's events are free to the public and have much to offer the fly-fishing enthusiast, his or her widow as well as the children and grandchildren who are in tow.

It is great to see many generations continue the passion for fly-fishing and to celebrate the opening of the season, Mansfield-Sanderson said.

The evening will feature

keynote speaker Mark Harvey, the state archivist for the Michigan Historical Center, entertainment and food, fly tying demonstrations, a slide presentation and many improvised and exaggerated fishing stories told by those in attendance.

"It will be an honor to have State Archivist Mark Harvey with us for the evening, and he has already committed to a fly fishing date with his 3-year-old daughter early the next morning," Mansfield-Sanderson said.

As keynote speaker, Harvey will be discussing the importance of the George Griffith and Marion Wright Fly Fishing Collection and the cooperative efforts of the Crawford County Library System, Trout Unlimited, and the State of Michigan in assuring that the unique history of Trout Unlimited, fly-fishing and the AuSable River is preserved for

generations to come.

"Grayling is a community that has a lot to boast about and much to celebrate," Mansfield-Sanderson said.

A limited edition print of the map of Michigan with a Grayling fish stamped upon it will be displayed and made available for purchase that evening through the State of Michigan's Archives Department.

"This event is an amazing opportunity to show the public the importance of supporting and utilizing libraries and historical preservation agencies, to recognize and celebrate the unique cultures that northern Michigan has to offer and to see how the state and local government agencies are working together to make resources available to as many people as possible," Mansfield-Sanderson said.



A limited edition print of the map of Michigan with a Grayling fish stamped upon it will be displayed and made available for purchase through the State of Michigan's Archives Department at the annual Trout Fishing Opener which is being held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, April 27 at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library.

Funds for GRA softball field denied

by Dan Sanderson
 Staff Writer

The Grayling Recreational Authority (GRA) struck out last week in attempt to gain funding for a new backstop for the softball field.

The Grayling Township Board denied a request for \$3,386 from the GRA to pay for a new backstop at Hanson Hills. The backstop prevents the softballs from being thrown or hit out of the playing field and provides security for people sitting in the bleachers.

Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright said that township trustees did not feel comfortable transferring funds from one taxing authority to another since GRA has its own operating millage.

"Our budget is just as tight as their's is," Wright said.

Justin Andre, the director for GRA, said they were seeking to replace the backstop, which has wood supports that are rotting in the ground.

Andre said that GRA was hoping to get a more sturdy,

functional backstop, which had a better appearance, as part of overall upgrades for the softball fields. GRA will soon start replacing the dugouts for the softball fields prior to the start of spring softball leagues. Andre said the dugouts are being replaced with donated labor from local contractors. The building materials are being purchased by the GRA.

"We have one of the better fields in the area and we are hoping to maintain that," Andre said.

Drug round up leads to 19 arrests

Investigative work spanning over a half of a year led to the arrest, last week, of over a dozen people for drug and stolen weapons charges.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, April 10, deputies from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, Strike Investigative Narcotics Group (STING), with assistance from the Grayling City Police Department, initiated a drug warrant round up of 19 suspects in

Crawford County.

The warrants were issued for selling ecstasy, methamphetamine, cocaine, marijuana and possession of stolen firearms.

Out of the 19 warrants issued, 12 suspects were arrested, and seven additional suspects are being sought.

Ages of the those arrested ranged from 18 to 50 years in age, with some suspects being arrested for more than 10 felony charges

each.

"I am happy to inform the residents of Crawford County that this is one of the largest drug arrest round ups in the past 20 years with more arrests coming," said Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield.

The arrests were the result of over six months of intense investigative work done by the STING Narcotics Team and Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies.

City seeks opinion on income tax issues

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Grayling City officials are leaning on state lawmakers in hopes of getting a speedy response on an income tax issue which led to the cancellation of a work contract for a local prison crew.

Grayling City Manager David Thayer has asked Rep. Matt Giffard, D-Alpena, and Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland, for an Attorney General's opinion to clarify if people who work for employers located outside the city, but perform work in the city, are subject to the city's income tax.

The Public Works Agreement with the City of Grayling for a work crew from Camp Lehman, a prison which is located on Hartwick Pines Road in Grayling Township, ended on April 9.

Thomas M. Birkett, the warden of the Standish Maximum Correctional Facility, which oversees operations at Camp Lehman, informed the city that the Public Works Agreement between the prison and city was being terminated due to the demand that prison employees pay city income taxes.

Grayling City Manager David Thayer said the dispute over payment of the city income tax with prison officials began

in early February.

Charlie VanBuren, who supervises the prison crew that works in the city, was inquiring about his wife's payment of the tax levy. City officials informed VanBuren that he was required to pay the tax for his supervision of the prison crew when they were working in the city.

Although Camp Lehman is located outside of the city, Thayer said the state statute governing the income tax collection requires businesses with 10 or more employees to calculate earnings received while working in a municipality that collects an income tax.

Thayer said city officials have checked with other city's that collect an income tax, and believe they are interpreting the state statute correctly.

However, since the issue has not been resolved, the city is seeking the Attorney General to issue an opinion on two main points of the state statute:

•Whether-residents who report to a workstation outside the city, then travel into the city to a worksite to perform their services are subject to the city's income tax for that percentage of their annual compensation earned within the city?

•Are non-residents who earn less than 25 percent of their annual compensation in the city

subject to the city's income tax?

According to information provided to state officials, VanBuren worked 182 days in 2006 in the city and averaged 15 days per month. The corrections officers are required to submit their pay vouchers to the city.

The city is required to pay \$15 per day, per prisoner, for services provided to the city. Of that amount, the prisoner receives \$2.50 and a \$12.50 supervision fee is paid to the State of Michigan.

Thayer, last week, also sent a letter to Department of Corrections Director Patricia L. Caruso, to see if she believes the contract should have been terminated before the tax payment issue was resolved.

Thayer hopes that local representatives can expedite a response from the Attorney General, since the opinion will impact 21 other cities in the state that collect an income tax.

"I've seen it take one month to five years to get an Attorney General's opinion," Thayer told the Grayling City Council last week.

The work crews mow grass in the city, shovel snow, pick up trash and brush and help maintain the cemetery. The prison crew has since been contracted to complete projects at Camp

Grayling.

Thayer said the city would rely on its Department of Public Works (DPW) crews to complete some of the work.

"It's going to depend on the labor involved as to whether the work will be done by DPW employees or subcontracted out," Thayer said.

City officials are also looking at the possibility of having inmates from the Crawford County Jail and high school students do some of the work to fulfill community service requirements.

The main tasks the city is facing in the next couple of months is opening up the Grayling City Park for use, and preparing the Elmwood Cemetery for Memorial Day.

Russ Marlan, the spokesperson for the Department of Corrections, said Grayling is the only city in the state that has sought to have corrections supervisors pay the income tax.

Marlan said he did not foresee the department changing its position on the contract, although there are other prison crews that may be available to work in the community.

"I think it would be difficult to find an officer to escort that crew, knowing that they have to pay money out of their pocket to do that," Marlan said.

Students help plan menus with survey

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made to the menu based on the students work.

For example, students said they preferred to have chicken for lunch, so a barbeque chicken leg has been added to the menu as well as popcorn chicken. Deli style sandwiches are also being served, and students are given an option of vegetable toppings.

The students said they would like to see turkey and gravy

maintained on the menu, and would like to see the return of macaroni and cheese.

The students also said they would like to see salt and pepper added to the selection of condiments made available, but learned that reducing sodium is part of planning the meals.

"They learned the nutrition involved in planning these meals," Baynham said.

Janet Gaffke, the food service

director for Crawford AuSable Schools, said that lunch and breakfast menus are planned on a three-week cycle and are adjusted to include fruits and vegetables that are in season.

Gaffke said that she was pleased that the students took the initiative to do the survey. She said that food service employees informally gather feedback from students about their lunches, and also monitor

the amount of food that is not being eaten during their lunch periods.

"We were at a point where we needed to hear from kids on what they like to see more of as opposed to what we've been offering," Gaffke said.

The Crawford AuSable School District Board recognized Baynham and students for participating in the survey at a recent meeting.

Power outage caused by high winds, snow

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Work crews had to cut the power in order to finish replacing the power pole and return the system to normal operating conditions, DeDoe said.

The power outage brought in some much needed business to several businesses in outlying areas of Crawford County.

Ken Pawlanta, manager for the Frederic Inn, said business was bustling during a time when staff is experiencing a lull between the snowmobile season and start of the tourism season.

"This time of year, anytime anybody walks through the door, it's a good night," Pawlanta said.

The Gray Rock Cafe was not able to serve food, but was able to serve drinks to patrons by lantern light.

"It was a little cold, but we did do some good business," said Jill Anderson, co-owner of the Gray Rock Cafe.

Loren Goodale Jr, the owner of Goodale's Bakery, had a steady stream of customers for dinners and coffee Wednesday due to a generator the business purchased in 1992.

"It's automatic - in 10 seconds I'm back online and I'm all set," Goodale said.

Goodale's Bakery was also able to satisfy customer's coffee fix and sell baked goods the next day.

Goodale said having the generator is a necessary part of doing business.

"If we have stuff that is half baked or mixed up, we don't have to throw it out," Goodale said. "In turn, if we have things

made, we want to be able to sell them."

The Crawford County

Library Board held its regular meeting on Thursday in the dark by the fireplace.

Grayling City Police shifts remain at status quo

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The city and union have failed at two mediation attempts to reach a deal. The police union has requested an arbitration hearing, which will be held this fall. Pension benefits and holiday pay are two unresolved issues between the parties.

Long said that he believes that city officials were attempting to retaliate against the officers for not accepting the city's contract terms when they tried

to change the work schedule.

"This was an attempt to take punitive action against the officers and bully them into accepting their terms and nobody likes a bully," Long said.

Thayer said that the city is reluctant to commit to increased benefits given the unknown financial condition of the state government.

"It's a rough time right now, and nobody knows what's going to happen," Thayer said. "Nobody has a crystal ball."

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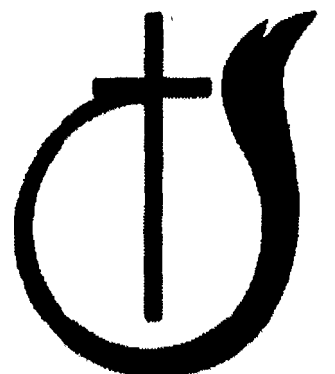
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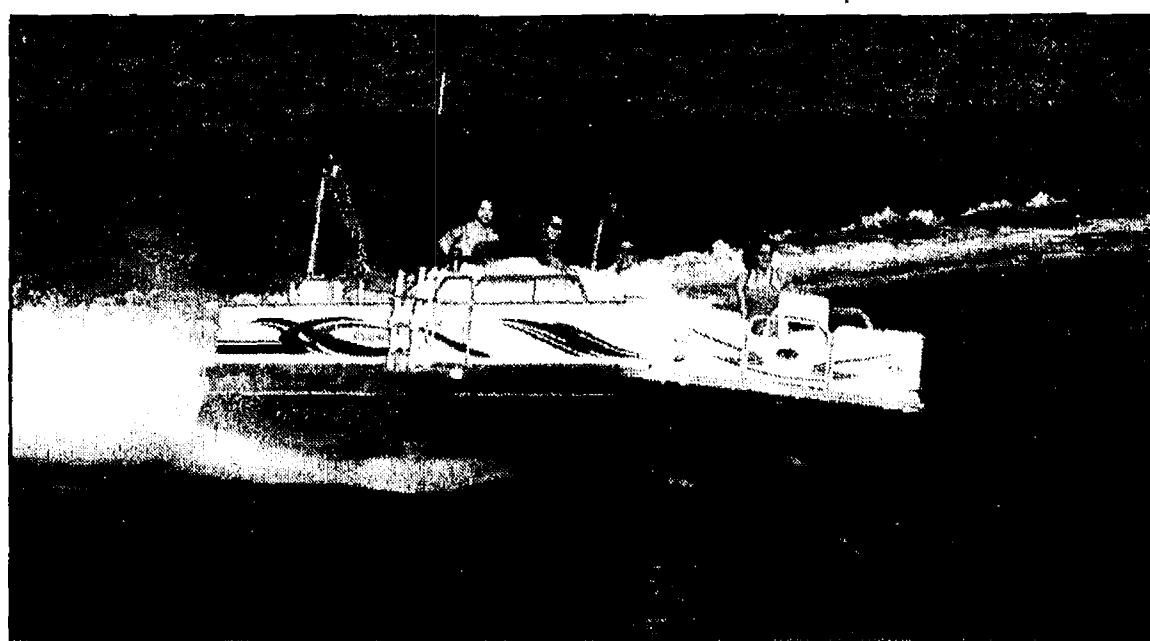
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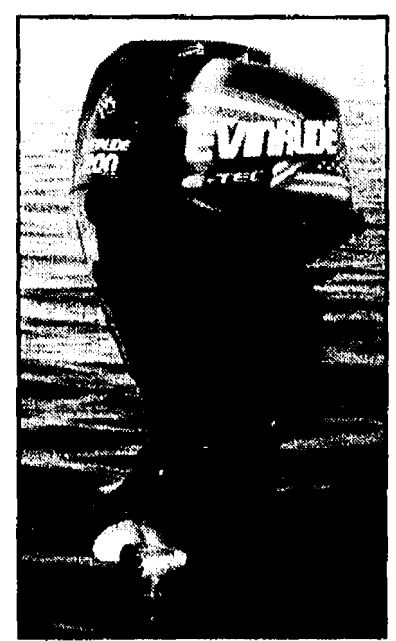
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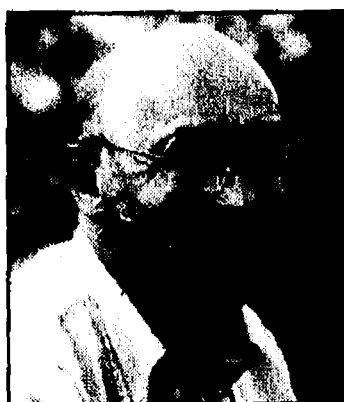
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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

Speed limits reflect driver performance

MAKING SENSE of some government regulations often challenges logic. A case in point is the way the state decides speed limits.

A logical person might conclude that permissible speed should be governed primarily by safety concerns.

Instead, it seems that the Michigan highway department follows some sort of rule that if drivers regularly drive at a certain speed, then that should be the speed allowed by law.

I'm sure there are exceptions to this rather simple rule, but the basic premise defies logic at least this writer's sense of logic.

For example, the speed limit recently went up from 55 to 70 miles per hour on stretches of interstate roads around the city of Lansing, where I frequently drive.

I-496 is the east-west crosstown expressway near downtown Lansing, and M-127 is a limited access speed route through the city between Lansing and East Lansing. Both are heavily traveled, especially during rush hours in mornings and late afternoons.

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WITH THE NEW 70 limit, I recently

ventured onto I-496 for an 8 a.m. doctor's appointment across town. There must be a dozen or more exit and entrance ramps as I-496 spans the three or four miles across Lansing, funneling traffic either on to or off the expressway.

Even to cautious or slower drivers, covering I-496 can be disconcerting, especially during rush hours. Fender benders and more serious accidents have not been uncommon.

But at the new 70 limit, it's downright dangerous, especially with the on and off ramps funneling people from suburbs to work at 8 a.m. in offices downtown or at the Michigan State campus. I definitely did not feel safe.

As with most of us, it's not my own driving that can be a problem. It's all those other crazy drivers out there, and at 70 or 80 miles per hour, there's not much leeway for momentary lapses, especially with the constant on-off cross traffic.

The higher limit doesn't save much time, either. What difference does 15 miles per hour mean when the distance is only about four miles and the safe speed is almost a mile a minute? Not enough to risk even a whisper of safety.

I made it across, but my doctor found my blood pressure a bit high, and I'm sure it was because of the new 70 mile limit.

Driving back across town after my appointment, I followed a safer surface street route.

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IN AN ARTICLE in The Lansing State Journal, the state Department of Transportation explained the change was made "because most people weren't following the posted speed limit anyway."

The article explained the state's 85 percent theory — that speed limits should be set such that 85 percent of people will obey. On the I-496 stretch, only about 7 percent of drivers followed the speed limit, according to the state police, and 85 percent were going between 68 and 73 miles per hour. So the proper speed came out to 70.

Does that theory make sense?

I first came across this line of logic covering a city council meeting in Grand Ledge many years ago. On a street carrying a state route entering the city, the state wanted to raise the speed limit while city fathers wanted to maintain a

slower entry speed largely for safety reasons.

The state claimed drivers were exceeding the old limit anyway, so the speed limit should be set at what people already are driving, not what the city wanted.

I didn't understand the logic then, and I still don't. But the state ruled.

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TAX TIME — It's April, so it must be income tax time.

Last year, the federal government paid back \$230 billion in personal income tax refunds. This year the average refund is expected to be up 3 percent to \$2,771, and 74 percent of individual taxpayers are expected to receive refunds.

Seventy-four percent of taxpayers may be rejoicing, but I've always looked at income tax refunds in a different way.

The 2006 refunds were \$230 billion in cash taxpayers already had overpaid, and the government had use of those dollars until they were paid back to taxpayers. Why should the government have your money instead of holding on to it yourself?

I have always tried to arrange my personal taxes so there is no refund, or at

the most a minimum overpayment and of course, no penalty for underpayment either.

Most taxpayers, I suspect, knowingly overpay their taxes through withholding, so they will get money back at tax time. That's sort of a forced savings program, and the government benefits at the taxpayers personal expense.

Another personal observation about income taxes: The system of requiring immediate payment of taxes through withholding from paychecks and earnings during the year is an insidious device that can lead to profligate spending by government.

If taxpayers were required to fork over all income taxes due in a single large whack each April, they would pay much closer attention to how their tax money is spent, and hold much tighter reins on politicians and bureaucrats who spend it.

A small amount withheld each week or so along the way dulls our senses to the magnitude of our total contribution, to the government's benefit.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

The city may pay a huge price for \$40

To the editor,

As Vice-president of Region Two of the Michigan Corrections Organization (MCO), I appreciate the chance to respond to your recent article on the cancellation of Grayling's inmate crew.

Now that the City of Grayling has lost their inmate work crew, it may be time to let the local taxpayers know what they gave up for \$40 in income tax the city charged the work crew supervisor, Charles Van Buren.

He is one of 11 Corrections officers at Camp Lehman that take work crews out across this region every day. Because he took the crew to Grayling, he was forced to pay income tax to the city. The other supervisors have to pay nothing. What supervisor would want to take the city crew? Our union will not stand by and see one supervisor treated differently than any other.

Mr. Van Buren is a Corrections

Officer who has continued the decades old tradition of cooperation between the city and Camp Lehman; a partnership that cost the state and saved the city hundreds of thousands of dollars. Mr. Thayer said they paid \$13,500 for 191 workdays for 6-8 prisoners and the prisoner gets \$2.50 and the balance of \$12.50 goes to the supervisor. The balance actually goes to the State of Michigan. \$13,500 would barely pay the minimum wage of even one city employee and their benefits.

The city gets a full time supervisor for the work crew. The amount paid to the state does not even come close to the cost of the supervisor's wages and benefits. He also drives a van provided by the state, which is a freebie to the city since they are paying no lease fee, gas, oil, insurance or repairs. The city also pays no workman's comp, health insur-

ance or any other expense. Any injuries on the job are paid and treated by the state. The city would get 6-8 workers and a supervisor every day with no worries about them showing up, calling in sick or needing a snow day. It is no wonder there is a high demand for crews across the region. Mr. Thayer says everyone has to pay the tax but ignored the salaries paid to the inmates. What about their 0.5 percent?

Camp Lehman and the city have a long rich history of cooperation in providing community service for years without incident or animosity. When the river flooded years ago there was not only one, but several crews and their foreman bagging sand to build up the banks. No one ever thought of charging all those workers income taxes. Thanks was all that was needed. Local people appreciated the well-maintained cemetery, the lawn

mowed, the sidewalks shoveled and the myriad of other tasks done by the crew.

This action has already alienated the scores of MCO members who live, shop and recreate in this area while working at Camp Lehman. Mr. Thayer's actions may well produce an adverse reaction to the public relations between the city and the 10,000 other MCO members who travel and visit here during all four seasons. Who can say what this has done to the attitudes of other state employees as well? Will the State Police troopers be charged when going to court, the transportation workers changing signs; the DNR if they assist on a fire? The list is endless. The city may have already paid a huge price for \$40 in income tax.

Rod Denley, Vice-President Michigan Department of Corrections, Region 2, Grayling

Several issues remain

To the editor:

The city returned my husband's schedule to the 12-hour shift. Even though it took a court order to do that. Thanks goes to the Fraternal Order of Police and their attorney.

Several issues remain and some clarification needs to be addressed concerning the city manager's remarks in the April 5 edition of the *Avalanche*.

Mr. Thayer, your comment reference to their holiday pay as "not a customary practice to pay the additional hours at any other police agencies in the state," is completely erroneous. If you had checked with your mayor, you would have found that the counties 911 dispatchers are paid identically. Further, the county deputies, the Michigan State Police and numerous other agencies surrounding us pay exactly the same way. I guess it is customary. It seems to me, a police commissioner would know this or at least check his facts before

making a public comment.

Also, Mr. Thayer, it is extremely unfair to suggest that our husbands are attempting to "create" a golden parachute for their retirement. The accepted definition of golden parachute is: a contract or agreement guaranteeing a key executive substantial severance pay and other benefits in the event of job loss caused by a company's being sold or merged. The officers you mention have all worked for the city for over 20 years each and only ask for a fair pension to live on upon retirement. The only one I know of ever getting close to a golden parachute in the past, is the former city manager, who received a severance pay of six months when he left the city's employment. I wonder what kind of agreement you have with the city council if you leave under similar circumstances?

Patti L. Coe
Grayling

Summer Visitors Guide makes for good memories

To the editor:

We recently uncovered a 2000 edition of the Summer Visitors

Guide and found it much fun to relive some great experiences we've had in the Grayling area.

If you put out a 2007 edition, may we request it be sent to our home? Hopefully, we'll head

your way again this year.

Irv and Betty Richter
Warren

Help improve our area

To the editor:

What a great idea Lloyd Crawford had, that all 'yes' voters should send the Crawford County Historical Society \$20 every year. That amount would hardly be missed by most of the voters and would make a tremendous difference in the budget for the museum to be repaired, which is badly needed.

Lloyd, we are sending in our \$20 and hope that everyone else will do the same. Maybe some of the 'no' voters could even send their \$20 too, wouldn't that be great? Come on Grayling and Crawford County. Let's get behind the effort and improve our area.

Bob and Fay Bovee
Grayling

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Letters to the Editor

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views of *The Avalanche*.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

BRIEFS

COA to go on mystery trip

The Senior Center, 308 Lawndale St., will be taking a mystery trip on April 24. The cost for the trip is \$13. The bus will be leaving the center at 11 a.m. For questions, transportation or reservations, call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

Chamber to hold coffee hour

The Chamber Coffee Hour will be held at Fifth Third Bank on Friday, April 20, at 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. If interested in hosting a coffee hour, contact Kathy Thomas, office coordinator, Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce at 989-348-2921.

GPA dinner show features Good Company

Good Company will perform during a dinner show as part of the Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series on Thursday, April 19, at the Grayling Holiday Inn. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner served at 6:30 p.m., performance starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available for \$30 at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce or at the door. For more information, call the Grayling Chamber at 989-348-2921.

Relay for Life to hold meeting

Relay for Life of Crawford County will hold a committee/team meeting on April 25, at 6:30 p.m., at the Grayling City Hall.

Scouts to collect food for help center

Grayling Cub and Boy Scouts passed out scouting for food bags last Saturday. Anyone who wants to donate food, should place their bags back out on Saturday, April 21, by 9 a.m. to be collected. All food collected will go to the Crawford County Christian Help Center. For more information call Loren Goodale 348-8682.

Boosters sponsor fund raising night

The Grayling Youth Booster Club is partnering with Wendy's of Grayling for a Community Fund Raising Night. A percentage of the sales from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., on Tuesday, April 24, will be donated to the Booster Club. Booster board members will be present and encourage the community to support the club.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of April 19 - 25 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during April 19 - 20 and Apr. 23 - 25.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) Range 41, small arms training, April 22.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek, April 19-25.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek, April 19-25.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612,

and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail, April 20-22.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on April 20 - 22. Bucks East - West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Rd. to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East - West to N. Down River Rd., Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd., and Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time.

This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: (989) 348-6371. For further information call 1-989-344-6320.

DISTRICT HEALTH #10 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for May.

Immunization clinics: May 2 and 16 by appointment, call (989) 348-7800.

Family planning clinic: May 1, 8, 15, and 22. Call (989) 348-7800 for appointment.

WIC clinics: This program provides supplemental foods and nutrition education for eligible pregnant and breast feeding women, infants and children: May 2, 7, 10, 16, 21, 24-25, and 29. Call (989) 348-7800 for an appointment.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training sessions: For information call (231) 876-3839.

Breast and cervical cancer

screenings are available to women ages 40-64 who have limited or no health insurance. A clinic is scheduled for May 15 in Grayling. Call (989) 348-7800, ext. 8042 for an appointment.

Hearing and vision screenings: This is a free program for children ages three years to third grade. Appointments are necessary. Clinics are held in Crawford County at the Head Start Building in Grayling. Call (989) 348-7800 for an appointment.

The Crawford County branch office of District Health Department #10 is located on Meadows Drive, east of the South I-75 Business Loop, in Grayling.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club The 50/50 raffle winners for April 15 of \$25 each: Larry

DuVall, Ted Stephan, Mary Callewaert, Heather Bodke and N. Templeton.

Benefit dinner show features the Maccombers

The AuSable Free Clinic, Inc. will be presenting a benefit dinner show with the Maccombers, at the Grayling Holiday Inn on Thursday, April 26.

High energy entertainment best describes the Maccombers. The troupe of a dozen or more students of Macomb Community College Musical Arts Program will dazzle the audience again this year with their ever changing musical revue.

Tickets for the dinner show are \$28.50 and includes dinner, show and a \$10 tax deductible contribution to the AuSable

Free Clinic. Dinner choice of London Broil, Fish in a bag or vegetarian plate; includes soft drink, coffee, tea and dessert.

Doors open at 6 p.m., with dinner served at 6:30 p.m., in the Evergreen Room at the Grayling Holiday Inn.

The AuSable Free Clinic, Inc. serves low income, uninsured individuals who are in need of primary healthcare. All clinic personnel are volunteers dedicated to providing quality care to their neighbors in need.

For more information on this performance call 989-348-7146.



The Maccombers will perform a benefit dinner show for the AuSable Free Clinic at the Grayling Holiday Inn, on Thursday, April 26.

Kirtland to offer concealed pistol course

Kirtland Community College will again be offering a handgun safety class that fulfills the training requirements of Michigan's concealed pistol law (CPL).

Kirtland's Home Safety Firearms course has been certified by the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards. The non-credit course, which will be held at the college's main campus near Roscommon, is designed to accommodate a wide range of experience.

In addition to classroom lecture and range practice, participants will receive training on a computerized firearms simulator. The class will meet on Thursday and Friday, May 17-18, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., and on Saturday, May 19, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

While state law requires only eight hours of training, Kirtland's program offers addi-

tional material and hands-on practice for a total of 16 hours. Participants must attend all sessions and pass written and practical exams to earn a certificate.

The cost is \$150 per person and includes training materials. A 15-percent discount is available to senior citizens. Pre-registration is required.

Participants should provide their own handguns, however, college-owned weapons will be available if needed. Registration fees include ammunition for 9mm, .38, .40 and .45-caliber weapons. Trainees using other weapons will need to bring ammunition.

For more information or to register, contact Kirtland's Criminal Justice Office by calling 989-275-5000, extension 283.



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Agency on Aging funds deadline announced

The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging announced the availability of funds for fiscal year 2008. In accordance with the Annual Implementation Plan funds are to provide the following services: Disease Prevention Health Promotion, Adult Day Services and National Family Caregiver Support Program.

All funds are available for the following counties: Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon. The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging must receive letters of intent to apply for funds by Monday, April 30, 2007.

For further information, contact Misty Dragiewicz, Grants Manager, Region 9 Area Agency on Aging, 2375 Gordon Road, Alpena, MI 49707 or call (989) 356-3474.



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The Bible Speaks

Trusting Adam or Christ?

We reach a turning point in Romans 5:12-21 as God summarizes justification by faith for us. We will either trust in Adam or Jesus Christ as our representative hope of eternal salvation. The word "Wherefore" which opens this section is like the word "Therefore" it always ties the present context with the preceding or past context. "12Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned." (Romans 5:12).

This reminds us of what God spent nearly 3 chapters teaching us about God's wrath upon the sinfulness of all men. "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness." (Rom 1:18) God revealed in the rest of chapter #1 the sinful degeneration of paganism. Man rejected God and creation v. 19,20. In v. 21,22 they replaced God with idols and evolution. In v. 24-27 they descended into sexual immorality and sodomy until they became a reprobate pagan society in verses 28-31.

Then in Romans 2:1-16 God reminded us that the moralist is just as judged and condemned before Him as the pagan. Moral man stands judged and condemned before God by his pride verse 1; by truth, v. 2; by ingratitude, v. 4; for impotence, vs. 5; for his deeds, v.6-8; without respect of persons, v. 9-11; for rejecting the light possessed, v. 12,13; by inner conscience, v. 14,15; and by the gospel, v. 16.

Then in Romans 2:17-29 God taught us that the religionists are just as judged and condemned as the moralists and pagans. They stand judged by their hypocritical pride in a covenant with God which they believe makes them better than other people. They stand judged and condemned by their pride in practicing special religious knowledge they believe others don't have. They stand judged and condemned by their practice of ritualism over reality.

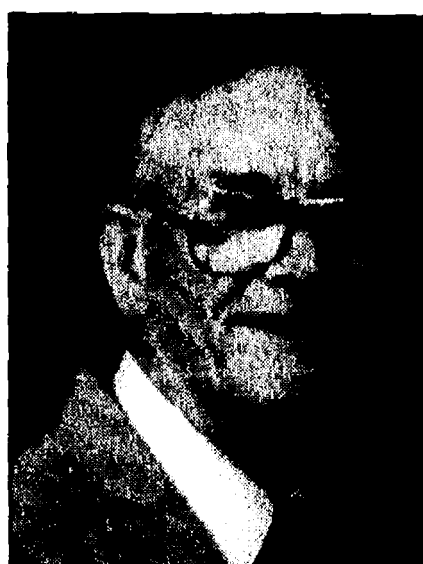
In Romans 3 we saw the revelation of truth God gave to humans, and the inward corruption of every human heart as viewed by God looking down from heaven upon us all. The conclusion was found in Romans 3:23: "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God."

This brings us to the root cause all humans are condemned sin-

ners outside of Christ. It is found in our text in Romans 5:12: "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: As descendants of Adam we were born with a sin or Adamic nature, and therefore we sin by both birth and by choice. So because of our sinful roots in Adam we face death, but through faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ we can have forgiveness of sins and eternal life. "For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous." (Rom. 5:19). "For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." 1 Cor 15:21,22). Is your faith in your Adamic roots, or in our Lord Jesus Christ? Is your life hid with Christ in God? (Col 3:3). "Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." (Rom. 3:24). Pastor "B"

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OBITUARIES



Andrew S. Donaldson, Jr.
May 13, 1919 - April 13, 2007
Andrew Stewart Donaldson, Jr., 87, of Grayling, passed away on April 13, 2007.

He was born in Detroit, on May 13, 1919, to the late Andrew C. and Mary (Bell) Donaldson.

He served in the U.S. Army as a Hospital Corpsman during WWII.

He married Goldie Geraldine Jarrett on June 4, 1948. They were married for 58 years, before her death on November 7, 2006.

He was a retired firefighter with the Detroit Fire Dept. He moved to Grayling in 1972. He was instrumental in starting up the South Branch Volunteer Fire Dept. He was involved in the Civilian Conservation Corp., the Masons, and Circle 13 CB Club. He was a member of the Roscommon VFW Post 4159, where he served as past commander and chaplain.

He is survived by his daughter, Lori (Barb Harris) Donaldson of Madison, Wis.; sons: David (Brenda) Donaldson of Fla.; Douglas (Joan Neal) Donaldson of Grayling, William (Lisa) Donaldson of Roscommon, and Robert Donaldson of Grayling; nine grandchildren; one great-grandchild; brothers, Charles Donaldson of Belleville, and David (Marilyn) Donaldson of Traverse City.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, April 20, at 11 a.m. at the Roscommon VFW Post 4159.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Assn, Northeastern Michigan Chapter, 100 Woods Circle, Alpena, MI 49707. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

In Memory of

Betty Helsel
April 24, 2004

We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone; for part of us went with you the day God called you home.

You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our pride, and though we cannot see you, you are always at our side.

Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.

We miss you and love you.

Sadly missed by
your family



Rita L. DeRieu
July 25, 1920 - April 10, 2007
Rita L. DeRieu, 86, of Grayling, passed away on April 10, 2007.

She was born on July 25, 1920, in Detroit, to Raymond and Florence (Clark) Labossiere.

She married Robert DeRieu on November 26, 1938, in Angola, Ind. He preceded her in death in 1985.

She moved to Grayling in January 2007, from Florida. She enjoyed boating and reading.

She is survived by her fiancé, Herbert Wells of Fla.; daughter, Joanne (Bob) Drumb of Grayling; son, Dave (Lulu) DeRieu of Detroit; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by, her parents; husband, Robert; and seven brothers and sisters.

A service was held on April 14.

Memorials may be made to Mercy Hospice or Mercy Manor.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

I would like to say thank you to all the loving family and friends who have helped me cope with the loss of my wonderful husband, Dennis D. Hulft. Thank you for the prayers and visits, many cards, gifts of money, flowers and food. I have realized how supportive our family, military family, Rotary family and friends have been at this time of sorrow. None of you will be forgotten.

Thanks to Bardens Funeral Home for all your help, and to Pastor James Conn, Chaplain Ray Moore and the Ithaca Church of God, W.C.G. for the wonderful luncheon.

Thanks Again!
Sandy Hulft

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 104 complaints the week of April 9-15:

One EMS response, one structure fire, five delinquent minors, two runaways, one valid alarm, five false alarm activations, three aggravated assaults-non-family/strongarm, two burglaries/home invasions, three larcenies, one motor vehicle theft, one vehicle theft, two fraudulent activities, one damage to property, one drug/narcotics violations, one obstructing police, one resisting officer, nine public peace/disorderlies, one OUIL/UBAL, one operating while intoxicated, two health and safeties, one conservation, three miscellaneous criminal offenses, nine miscellaneous arrests, 15 traffic accidents, one traffic violations-civil infraction, two traffic safety public appearances, six civil matters/family disputes, eight suspicious situations, 10 general non-criminal complaints and three driving violations/driving while license suspended.

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Children's Sunday School 11 am
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Services held Saturday at
Camp AuSable off M-72 East
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)
Saturday Church Service 9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School 10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm

Lovells Community Chapel
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Pastor Larry Hankins
Associate Pastor Tom Faunce
8133 Bald Hill Rd. • Lovells
989-348-2701
Sunday School (youth & adult) 10 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Wed Prayer & Bible Study 7-8 pm

Free Methodist
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6632 (M-72 W) • 348-9093
Early Service 8:30 am
Sunday School 10 am
Morning Service 11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

Emma Lowery United Church of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday Worship 11 am
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Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
heritagebaptistgrayling.org
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd. (1/4 mile west of I-75)
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Pastor Gary Wajda
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Parsonage 348-7466
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ttind@freeway.net

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President David Page
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament 10 am
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Primary 11 am
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Relief Society 12 noon

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Service, Children's Church and Youth Service 11 am
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Wednesday Service 7 pm
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St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
710 Spruce Street
348-5224
Sunday School 9:15 am
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North Down River Rd. at
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Preaching 11 am
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St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor
Parish Office • 707 Spruce • 348-7657
Saturday Evening Masses 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses 10:00 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Reverend Elizabeth Chace
M-72 West • Office 348-5850
Morning Prayer Tues-Fri 8:30 am
Eucharist (Wed) 8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:30 am

Restoration Life Fellowship
Pastor Bud & Debbie Mann
Sunday Service 10:30 am
Mid Week Services (Wed) 7:00 p.m.
are held at Milltown Corner Building
(Behind Cornell Real Estate)
Mail: 9141 N. Cur River Rd Roscommon, MI 48653
Phone: 989-348-9382 or 989-821-6722
E-mail: realitefellowship@hotmail.com

New Creation Ministry
Pastors David & Julie Rosenmeyer
Masters Youth Center • 6441 W. Pine Point Rd.
989-348-2623 • 989-348-3513
Sunday Service 11:00 am
Tuesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

Grayling Valley Tabernacle Church of God
Pastor Donald Oostik
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Meeting at the Primary School
Sunday Worship / Primary School 10:30 am
Sunday School 2:15 pm

Calvary Baptist Church
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M-72 West
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Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 6 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) 7 pm

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Sunday School 7:30 am
Sunday Class 10:00 am
Sunday Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening 6 pm
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Mid-Week Bible Study (Wed) 7 pm

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Lovells Historical Society event to celebrate trout opener

The Lovells Township Historical Society will host its fifth annual Trout Opener on Saturday and Sunday, April 28 and 29, at the museum complex and the Lovells Township Hall, 8405 Twin Bridge Rd., Lovells Township, Crawford County.

The topic of the 2007 Log Museum exhibit is Industrialists and Early Settlers of the North Branch.

The exhibit focuses on the early settlers of the North Branch: lumberman, bankers, manufacturers, lawyers, auto magnets, merchants and Civil War veterans who came to Lovells in the early years and found a special, wild paradise.

They came first by train, then by two-track auto trails. Read their accounts of the great fishing, hunting, berry picking, wildlife and clean air that refreshed and recharged these men, their families and friends.

Visitors can view the pictures of the camps, lodges and clubs Arnold Boutell, Charles Underhill, Tom Douglas, William B. Mershon, Frank Eamans, Charles W. Nash, P.F. H. Morley, Henry Ford and others built.

Also, learn about local families, organizations and events in the new exhibit in the Lone Pine School Museum. See pictures of many of the log lodges and campuses that Ed Kellogg and his son John built along the North Branch and on local lakes.

The exhibits will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday and regular hours during trout fishing season, April 28 through Sept. 30, will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday's and Saturday's and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday's. Admission is free and open to the public.

Programs on Saturday will feature three major presenters.

AuSable River expert Bob Linsenman of Rose City, author of numerous articles and books on the AuSable River, steelhead and trout fishing; fly tier, fishing guide; and part owner of the AuSable Angler fly shop in Mio, will present an illustrated talk, entitled "The AuSable River Watershed," Saturday from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the Township

Hall.

Master Fly Tier Jerry Regan of Grayling, is a leading authority on traditional AuSable trout fly patterns and their creators. He will tie those classic flies and discuss the flies and their tiers based on his extensive historical research on the subject in the Township Hall, Saturday, from 10 a.m. to noon and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. He is the owner of Regan's Custom Trout Flies and has been tying for over 40 years. Regan is also an experienced guide on the AuSable and Manistee Rivers.

World-Class Fly Caster Bruce Richards of Midland, will conduct a demonstration and workshop on the softball field from 10 a.m. to noon and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Richards is a product designer of fly fishing lines and other equipment for Scientific Anglers, where for nearly 30 years he has been one of fly fishing's most respected technological experts. His "on the water research" testing of gear and his fly casting expertise have taken him around the world. After his demonstration, Richards will assist participants with their individual casting issues and requests that they bring their casting equipment.

Several other activities will be going on simultaneously during the weekend. Back by popular demand is the River Guide's Camp on the Township Grounds, which will be serving free coffee and doughnuts from 10 a.m. to noon and free River Guide's Stew and coffee from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday and coffee and doughnuts from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday. Children will be able to cast vintage bamboo fly rods to trout profiles on the lawn and win a historic AuSable fly from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday.

Saturday, April 29:

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Exhibits open, museum complex.

10 a.m. - noon - guide coffee and luncheon doughnuts, guide's tent.

10 a.m. - noon - Bruce Richards, fly casting, softball field.

10 a.m. - noon - Jerry Regan, tying AuSable River flies, town-



A young Henry Ford, already well on his way to becoming the world's most famous industrialist, on vacation at the AuSable Trout and Game Club.

ship hall.

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Lunch, guide's tent.

1 p.m. - 2 p.m. - Bob Linsenman, "The AuSable River Watershed," township hall.

2 p.m. - 4 p.m. - Children's Fly Casting with vintage bamboo rods, township grounds.

2 p.m. - 4 p.m. - Bruce Richards, fly casting, softball field.

2 p.m. - 4 p.m. - Jerry Regan, tying AuSable River flies, township hall.

Sunday, April 30

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Exhibits open, museum complex.

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - guide coffee and luncheon doughnuts, guide's tent.

10 a.m. - noon - Fly tying demonstration, log museum.

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Children's Fly Casting with vintage bamboo rods, township grounds.

All events are free and open to the public. Contact Roger Fechner at (989) 348-4880 for more information.

LIBRARY NEWS

Come visit the Crawford County Library booth at the Preschool Fair being held at the AuSable Primary School on April 26, from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Families will be provided an opportunity to see what is available for their children in our community and at the library. Miss Bea (a.k.a. Rebecca Brown) will be on hand to answer all your questions about

the library programs and even have some surprises for the kids.

The third annual "Trout Opening Gala" will be held on

Friday, April 27, from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. at the Devereaux Library. This event will be filled with fun, facts, flies and fishing. Mark Harvey, state archivist,

will be the keynote speaker. Master fly-tying demonstrations and a special slide presentation will be shown. The event is open to the public.

Card of Thanks

The Grayling Middle School Physical Education Staff and students would like to thank Legion Lanes for generously donating their time and facilities. The students were able to enjoy the lifetime sport of bowling for eight weeks, free of charge. The math curriculum was also integrated into this program, as students were responsible for learning how to keep their own score without the aid of a computer or calculator.

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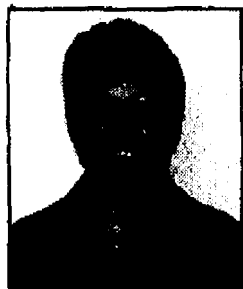
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KCC to again reward student leader with scholarship

For the second consecutive year, Kirtland Community College officials are announcing that the college is offering a "Student Leadership Scholarship" designed to recognize and reward a KCC student who most exemplifies leadership on campus and/or in their community.

Funding for the scholarship, which is slated to be awarded annually, is raised through various campus fund-raisers and by Kirtland employees, who donate \$1 for every "Casual Friday," when they wear blue jeans or KCC apparel to work.

To be considered for the scholarship, candidates must be a full- or part-time student at KCC and maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average. An application, along with a letter(s) of recommendation and other documentation that supports the leadership activities referenced must be returned to the Student Services Office by

4:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 19. Applications may be downloaded at kirtland.edu/finaid/scholarships.htm, or picked up in the Student Services Office in the college's Administration Center. Once completed, applications may be hand delivered, e-mailed to gavej@kirtland.edu or mailed to Kirtland Community College, Attention: Jo Ann Gave, 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon, MI 48653.

All scholarship applicants are invited to attend the Student Leadership Brunch on Friday, May 4, at 10 a.m. in the KCC Student Center, where the name of the scholarship recipient will be announced.

Currently, about 2,300 students attend a variety of certificate and two-year degree programs at Kirtland's two campuses - the main campus near Roscommon, as well as the Michigan Technical Education Center (M-TEC) in Gaylord - with the college's service area including all or parts of Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw, Roscommon, Otsego, Kalkaska, Missaukee, Gladwin and Alcona counties, and the surrounding areas.

For more information about the Student Leadership Scholarship, contact Jo Ann Gave, student services assistant, by calling 989-275-5000, extension 289, or via e-mail at gavej@kirtland.edu.

DHD #10 kicks off 'Be Prepared - Protect Your Family' month

Disasters can happen at any time. The potential of severe weather, e-coli outbreaks, pandemic influenza, or a hazardous materials spill are just a few of the would-be disasters that have raised concerns among many local residents. While District Health Department (DHD) #10 is working to protect the community in the event of an emergency, health officials are urging everyone to take responsibility for the safety of their families and be prepared for all emergencies.

"In an emergency, your safety and the safety of your family may depend on decisions made in a few seconds," said Brenda Kailing, RN, BSN, Emergency Response Specialist. "Be prepared - have a plan and supplies, stay informed, remain focused, and be ready to activate your disaster plans."

Here are some things that families can do to prepare for a potential disaster:

- Be proactive, not reactive. Create a family emergency plan and talk about it ahead of time. Taking action before an emergency occurs helps people deal with disasters of all sorts much more effectively when they do occur.
- If you are like millions of animal owners nationwide, your

pet is an important member of your household. Your family emergency plan should also include your pets. Being prepared can save their lives, too.

- If a winter storm, power outage, or other disaster strikes your community, you might not have access to food, water, and electricity for several days. You may need to survive on your own for a time. This means having your own food, water, and other supplies in sufficient quantity to last for at least three days. Having a 2-week supply would be even better. An ample supply of clean water, one gallon, per person, per day, is a top priority.
- Keep a battery operated radio nearby and tune it to a local station for information.

DHD #10 is committed to promoting the health of all individuals through education, prevention, intervention, and protection of the environment. For more information on emergency preparedness, contact your local health department, or visit the state website at www.michigan.gov/prepare.

Additional information about the "Public Health - For Michigan. For You." slogan and "2007: The Year of Public Health" can be found at www.malph.org.

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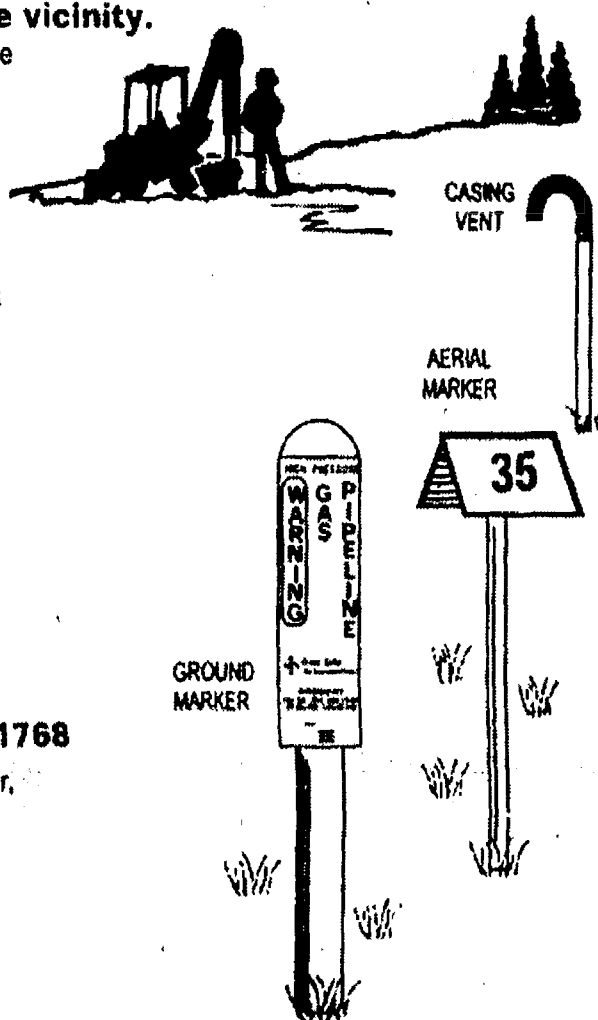
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People Fund grants awarded to local groups

Grants totaling \$60,600 from the Great Lakes Energy People Fund were awarded in 2006 to local community organizations in Northern Michigan.

Organizations in Crawford County that received funds were: Crawford County Commission on Aging \$800 for a new freezer and the Crawford County Community Christian

HELP Center, \$2,000 for supplies for their food pantry.

The People Fund is supported solely Great Lakes Energy customers who allow their electric company to round up their bill each month to the next dollar. In 2006, the rounded-up amounts totaled nearly \$127,000 that was collected and distributed to help charitable

causes throughout Great Lake Energy's 26 county service area, which stretches from Kalamazoo to the Mackinac Straits.

President/CEO Steve Boeckman said, "Because of our customers generosity, many worthwhile organizations in their own community were helped."

BIRTHS

Kristin Lauer and Cory Klee of Grayling, announce the birth of a son, George Mason, born at Mercy Hospital on March 27, 2007, at 6:03 a.m., weighing 5 lbs., 2 ozs., and measuring 19 1/2 inches in length.

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Hospital part of 'Conversational Map' trial

American Diabetes Association tests strategy to connect with patients

Mercy Hospital Grayling is part of a national test of a new technique used by the American Diabetes Association to reach out to diabetes patients.

Conversation Maps™ - colorful 3-by-5 foot illustrations that depict issues diabetes patients face - have been used by the hospital's Diabetes Education Program with small groups of patients during the past two months.

"Our program was one of four

programs in Michigan to trial diabetes Conversation Maps," said Rhonda Haske, RN, Diabetes Education Program coordinator and educator. "These are interactive teaching maps that encourage participation and communication."

The maps allow patients to explore health facts about diabetes through dialogue and are proving useful in helping patients personalize the information as well as motivating them to make better decisions. Feedback from patients will result in changes to the maps before they are distributed nationally.

"We at the ADA believe Conversation Maps are one of the

most important innovations in patient and physician education in a decade," said Karmeen Kulkarni, immediate past-president, Healthcare & Education, American Diabetes Association.

The technique calls for using the maps in small groups of three to 10 patients and to facilitate a discussion and not a lecture. Each map has six components that include the visual illustrations, facts, conversation questions, group interaction, facilitator guidance, and an action plan.

Haske said initial feedback from patients seems to be that the maps are too large. Patients also would prefer individual ones, instead of one large one that is

placed on a table.

"They are pretty helpful," Haske said. "After the companies that make the maps receive feedback from the trial, they will make the changes and then distribute them nationally."

The goal of Mercy Hospital Grayling's program is to encourage patients to keep their regular physician appointments and stay informed so that they can manage their diabetes for the rest of their life.

The Diabetes Education Program includes Haske and two registered dietitians. For more information on the program, call Haske at (989) 348-0455.

Mercy Hospital Grayling lab receives accreditation

Joint Commission recognizes facility with Gold Seal of Approval

Following a two-day inspection March 8-9, Mercy Hospital Grayling's Laboratory Services has received the Gold Seal of Approval from the Joint Commission.

"We're pleased that the Joint Commission affirms our services here meet the rigorous standards for high quality and safe patient care," said Diane Hagle, Lab Director. "This should give our patients confidence in the quality of laboratory work at Mercy Hospital Grayling."

The Joint Commission evaluated the laboratory's performance in complying with nearly 300

standards related to quality control, safety, infection control, leadership, management of human resources, management of information, ongoing performance improvement activities and other issues. Founded in 1951, the Joint Commission is dedicated to continuously improving the safety and quality of the nation's health care through voluntary accreditation.

"The accreditation process helps promote continuous, systematic and organization-wide improvement in health care organizations," said Margaret Peck, director of the Laboratory Accreditation Program for the Joint Commission. "Achieving accreditation demonstrates Mercy Hospital Grayling's commitment to providing high quality and safe services."

Surgical Services Team moves into new offices

Surgeon Darius A. Divina, D.O., now in Mercy Professional Building

Surgeon Darius Divina, D.O., and Mercy Surgical Services staff recently moved their offices into the new Mercy Professional Building, Suite C.

The building is located adjacent to Mercy Hospital Grayling, and the office features X-ray capabilities and online radiology that allows the surgeon to view hospital radiological images through the electronic medical record. The building also houses Mercy Rehabilitation Services.

"Patients can see their surgeon and set up their physical therapy at the same time," said Deanna Garrity, manager of Mercy Surgical Services. "We also have aqua therapy, which wasn't available locally until now."

Divina is an orthopedic surgeon who specializes in arthroscopic surgery, carpal tunnel syndrome, hand surgery, joint reconstruction, joint replacement, revision arthroplasty, sports medicine, and wrist and forearm disorders.

The Mercy Professional Building also includes the offices of general surgeons Garrick Cvitkovich, M.D., and Todd Prier, M.D.

For more information, contact Mercy Surgical Services at (989) 348-0880.

Diabetes association recognizes hospital's program

Mercy Hospital Grayling's diabetes education program is recertified

Helping diabetes patients manage their disease continues to be a focus at Mercy Hospital Grayling.

The hospital's diabetes self-management education program recently received recertification from the American Diabetes Association - affirming that the program meets national standards. The program was originally certified in December 2000.

"We provide education to individuals and groups based on their assessed needs," said Rhonda Haske, RN, a certified diabetes educator with the program. "Living in a rural area is a chal-

lenge because many people do not or cannot drive a distance to see us, so we travel monthly to Roscommon and Prudenville to see them."

The diabetes education program plans eight community programs this year in Mio, Grayling, Roscommon and Prudenville. The diabetes program team - which includes Haske and two registered dietitians - also works with area school districts to provide information for students with diabetes.

"Our goal is to help area residents live a normal life with their diabetes," Haske said. "We provide them with disease management information that can be applied in a practical way."

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GMS names students of the month



The students selected as Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for March are, from the left: (back row) Micheal Beck, Nicole Chad, Craig Collen, Wes Dean, Olivia Dikin, Bailea Dufore, Rosemary Graham; (2nd row) Philip Hagle, Kaylene Harris, Cassie Howell, Morgan Jensen, Megan Luke, Paige Lobsinger, Chris Phillips; (front row) Jacob Robbins, Jackson Roby, Travis Schreiber, Rachel Sowinski, Amber Swanson, Kirstie Wakeley. Not pictured, August Ledesma, Sean Weeks.

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6th Grade

All "A" Honor Roll

Jacob Cochrane, Danielle Dami, Wesley Dean, Shanley Dorn, Stanna Dorn, Katrina Foguth, Sarah Goodyear, Jo Hamlin, Louis Menard, Tiffany Mitchell, Alyssa Morley, Brittany Naumiec, Scott Parkinson, Tyler Powers, Andrew Robbins, Angeline Rouston and David Somero.

"B" Honor Roll

Madison Benardo, Emma Burke, Zowie Cable, Jillian Calvin, Eric Chad, Shelby Cottenham, Courtney Cross, Olivia Dikin, Carly Duncley, Robert Dwyer, Jeffrey Enos, Lacey Flynn, Madilyn Gabriel, Sarah Girard, Hannah Haven, Jacob Hoover, Rachel Jensen, Ty Jensen, Aaron Kiessel, Damian Knepp, Georgie Knight, Levi Korneli, Mason Krey, Darryn Labo, Jeffrey Lavigne, Megan Luke, Zachary Mack, Katherine Meyers, Hillary Moore, Dakota Myers, Danielle Nelson, Courtney Nickerson, Cortnee Nye, Lisa Orr, Kevin Paratchek, Tegan Pillaro, Caitlin Prosser, Joey Rowley, Emily Schans, Kyle Schmidt, Charles Simpson, Jessica Starr, Timothy Therrien, Shawn Thomas, Brittney Turner, Shane Turner, Larry VanSickle, Daniel White, Austin Wilson and Curtis Wilson.

7th Grade

All "A" Honor Roll

Griffin Dean, Sierra Dyer, Hillary Fenton, Darcy Greer, Kristi Helsel, Andrea Malm, Heather Ruddy, Nicholas Wells, and Camren Wilson.

"B" Honor Roll

Kaitlin Adamski, Derek

Babbitt, Michaelle Bear, David Bergan, Charles Bertram, Samantha Birtles, Jeffrey Brunell, Thomas Burrell, Jared Carlisle, Craig Collen, Kelsee Dean, Kaylynn Dehart, Elaine Desenfants, Trevor Dewitt, Nicholas Dorn, Taylor DuVall, Alexandra Elliott, Steven Enos, Jessica Fik, Katie Fitzpatrick, Zachary Fridling, Cassandra Gierke, Anna Gifford, Joshua Golnick, Cynthia Graham, Jordin Grigsby, Chloe Harwood, Abigail Hatfield, Matthew Holton, Lindsey Johnson, Samantha Johnson, Natasha Kappers, Ferdinand Korneli, Shane Krays, Myrissa Kuhn, Joseph Latusek, August Ledesma, Xavier Lindsey, Paige Lobsinger, Jessica Meyer, Majerle Nielson, Shelby Northrup, Robert Orr, Mikaela Parish, Tianna Pillaro, Shelby Pippin, Tyler Pratt, Rebecca Rappley, Sarah Robinson, Alexandria Robson, Apoorv Singh, Josie Swander, Tyler Theaker, Zane Tobin, Emily Ventline, Elisabet Warsko, Tabatha Watkins, Sean Weeks, Gene Wheeler, Ashley Williams, Tiffany Wilson, Emily Wingard, Brandon Young, and David Zarnick.

8th Grade

All "A" Honor Roll

Erin Dubriwny, Ann Hamlin, Iva Haven, Ashley Jensen, Melissa Kocofas, Darin Peters, Kristy Petrosky, Eric Rutter, Jordan Stephan, Amber Swanson and Kirstie Wakeley.

"B" Honor Roll

Joshua Aimesbury, Fisher Ankney, Jensen Aubry, Samantha Bidwell, Joseph Bowman, Cassandra Carter, Kyle Carter, Peggy Currison, Alexis Dandy, Ashton Dehoff, Aaron Gault, Richard Goodyear, Chandler Grigsby, Richelle Grosskopf, Jacob Helsel, Trexer Hendrickson, Marcus Herblet, Ashley Johnson, Elizabeth Kengel, Nicholas McDonald, Kimberly McQueen, Joshua Meyer, Hali Miller, Ashley Moery, Carlie Money, Kaitlyn Money, Rebecca Money, Cody Myers, Jessica Myers, Laura Northrup, Katlyn Nye, Alexis Peck, Olivia Peters, Megan Reichelderfer, Luke Schneider, Teresa Schreiber, Ciara Summers, Trevor Theaker, Abbey Thomas, Kristen Todoroff, Sara Trudgeon, Joseph VanNuck, Joseph White, Allyssa Wilson and Zachary Wolcott.

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Michigan Sheriffs' Association honored for 'STOPPED' program

The Michigan Sheriffs' Association is being honored for a program designed to put the brakes on traffic fatalities and injuries involving young drivers by the Governor's Traffic Safety Advisory Commission (GTSAC) at the group's annual awards luncheon.

Sheriffs Telling Our Parents & Promoting Educated Drivers (STOPPED) is a voluntary program fostering a partnership between parents and law enforcement to promote safe driving by teens. To date, over 1400 vehicles have been registered for the program. "The success of the program is the simplicity of the program," said Kalamazoo County Sheriff Michael J. Anderson.

Participation in the program is free and voluntary. Parents can register their vehicles online at www.michigansheriff.com. A STOPPED sticker will be sent for each vehicle the family registers. The sticker is placed on the vehicle's windshield and serves as a visible reminder to the young driver to drive safely and responsibly, and that should the driver be pulled over for any reason, a letter will be sent to their parents.

"I expect letters to parents will be infrequent," said MSA

Executive Director Terrence L. Jungel. "Most teens will act responsibly knowing that deputies are prepared to fill out and send a notice to their parents containing information on the time, location and reason they were stopped." The letter will also indicate how many people were in the vehicle when it was stopped.

According to the John Hopkins Center for Injury Research and Policy, a driver under the age of 21 is 39 percent more likely to be in a fatal accident when they have a passenger in the vehicle. That risk is increased to 86 percent with two passengers, and an alarming 282 percent with three or more passengers.

In 2005, drivers in the target age group of 16-21 were only 9.3 percent of the licensed drivers in Michigan, but were responsible for 16.3 percent of the crashes in the state. "Inexperience, risk taking behavior, and immaturity are all factors that increase the crash risk for young drivers," commented Michael Prince, OHSP Division Director.

STOPPED was piloted in seven counties in 2005, and then was expanded to 27 counties in 2006 (one of which was Crawford County) thanks to a generous

grant from AAA Michigan. In June of 2007, MSA hopes to expand the program again to include at least 35 more counties bringing the total to 62 of Michigan's 83 counties.

"AAA Michigan is very pleased to have the opportunity to support an initiative such as the STOPPED program. AAA has a long history of traffic safety and any program aimed at reducing risk and raising awareness for our teen drivers is a step in the right direction to protecting this 'at risk' group," said Jack Peet, Manager of Community Safety Services for AAA Michigan.

"There is nothing more important to a parent than the protection of their children. All of law enforcement understand this and we are here to help you in any way we can," said MS Executive Director Terrence L. Jungel at the launch of this pilot program in March of 2005.

The Michigan Sheriff's Association, created in 1877, is the oldest law enforcement organization in the state. For more information about the Michigan Sheriff's Association, or to join as a citizen or business member, visit the website at www.michigansheriff.com.

87TH DISTRICT COURT

Sentencings for March 2007 Hon. Monte J. Burmeister

Karen Sue Poll, age 23 of Grayling - Sentenced on March 27, 2007 for motor vehicle-tampering; ordered to pay \$960 in fines and \$600 in restitution or serve 93 days in jail; placed on probation for 184 days.

Amie Catherine Collett, age 31 of Grayling - Sentenced on March 20, 2007 for operating without security; ordered to pay \$395 in fines or serve 35 days in jail; placed on probation for 61 days.

Shawn Wayne Anderson, age 27 of Lake City - Sentenced on March 13, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$580 in fines or serve 58 days in jail.

Marina Davis, age 18 of Lake Ann - Sentenced on March 27, 2007 for malicious destruction of personal property over \$200 and under \$1,000; ordered to pay \$470 in fines and \$652.25 in restitution or serve 41 days in jail; placed on probation for 92 days; ordered to perform 10 hours of community service.

Crystal Marie Calcote, age 24 of Frederic - Sentenced on March 30, 2007 for sex offenders-failure to comply with reporting; ordered to pay \$580 in fines or serve 58 days in jail; placed on probation for 184 days.

Darcie Elizabeth Lovely, age 22 of Grayling - Sentenced on March 13, 2007 for assault/assault and battery; ordered to pay \$910 in fines or serve 91 days in jail; placed on probation for 184 days.

Christel Herman, age 57 of Waters - Sentenced on March 2, 2007 for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$380 in fines or serve 38 days in jail;

placed on probation for 184 days.

Christopher Joel Dusseau, age 22 of Roscommon - Sentenced on March 20, 2007 for operating while intoxicated, drove while license not valid/improper license and open intoxicants in a motor vehicle; ordered to serve 10 days in jail; ordered to pay \$1,065 in fines or serve 93 days in jail; placed on probation for 184 days.

Tamara Lynn Harwood, age 40 of Grayling - Sentenced on March 20, 2007 for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$370 in fines or serve 37 days in jail.

Joel Patrick Collin, age 18 of Mio - Sentenced on March 13, 2007 for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$450 in fines or serve 45 days in jail.

Sunset Marie Cook, age 30 of Grayling - Sentenced on March 20, 2007 for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$320 in fines or serve 32 days in jail; placed on probation for 92 days.

Casey Nelson Darling, age 22 of Grayling - Sentenced on March 20, 2007 for operate-unregistered vehicle and no proof of insurance; ordered to pay \$500 in fines or serve 50 days in jail.

Michael Wayne Succarde Sr., age 42 of Luzerne - Sentenced on March 13, 2007 for domestic

violence; ordered to serve 93 days in jail with credit for 58 days served; ordered to pay \$960 in fines or serve 96 days in jail.

Michael Wayne Succarde Sr., age 42 of Luzerne - Sentenced on March 13, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate and improper use of license plate; ordered to pay \$675 in fines or serve 67 days in jail; placed on probation for 245 days.

George Leroy Ingram, age 61 of Lake City - Sentenced on March 20, 2007 for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$450 in fines or serve 45 days in jail.

Matthew Michael Wakeley, age 24 of Grayling - Sentenced on March 27, 2007 for violation of Grayling City Ordinance #4; ordered to pay \$230 in fines or serve 23 days in jail.

Christopher Lee Wakeley, age 22 of Grayling - Sentenced on March 27, 2007 for violation of Grayling City Ordinance #4; ordered to pay \$230 in fines or serve 23 days in jail.

Magistrate Camarin Talarico
Andrew Steven Failing, age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on March 21, 2007 for person under 21-purchase/consume/possess liquor; ordered to pay \$285 in fines; placed on probation for 92 days.

GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following complaints during the week of April 8 - April 15:

One private property accident, four traffic warnings, three misdemeanor arrests, five felony arrests, two civil infractions, two motorist assists, one disturbance complaint, 10 city ordinance violations, four larceny complaints, three assist other departments, four juvenile complaints, one domestic assault complaint, two fraud complaints, four alarm complaints, one civil complaint and 17 unclassified complaints.

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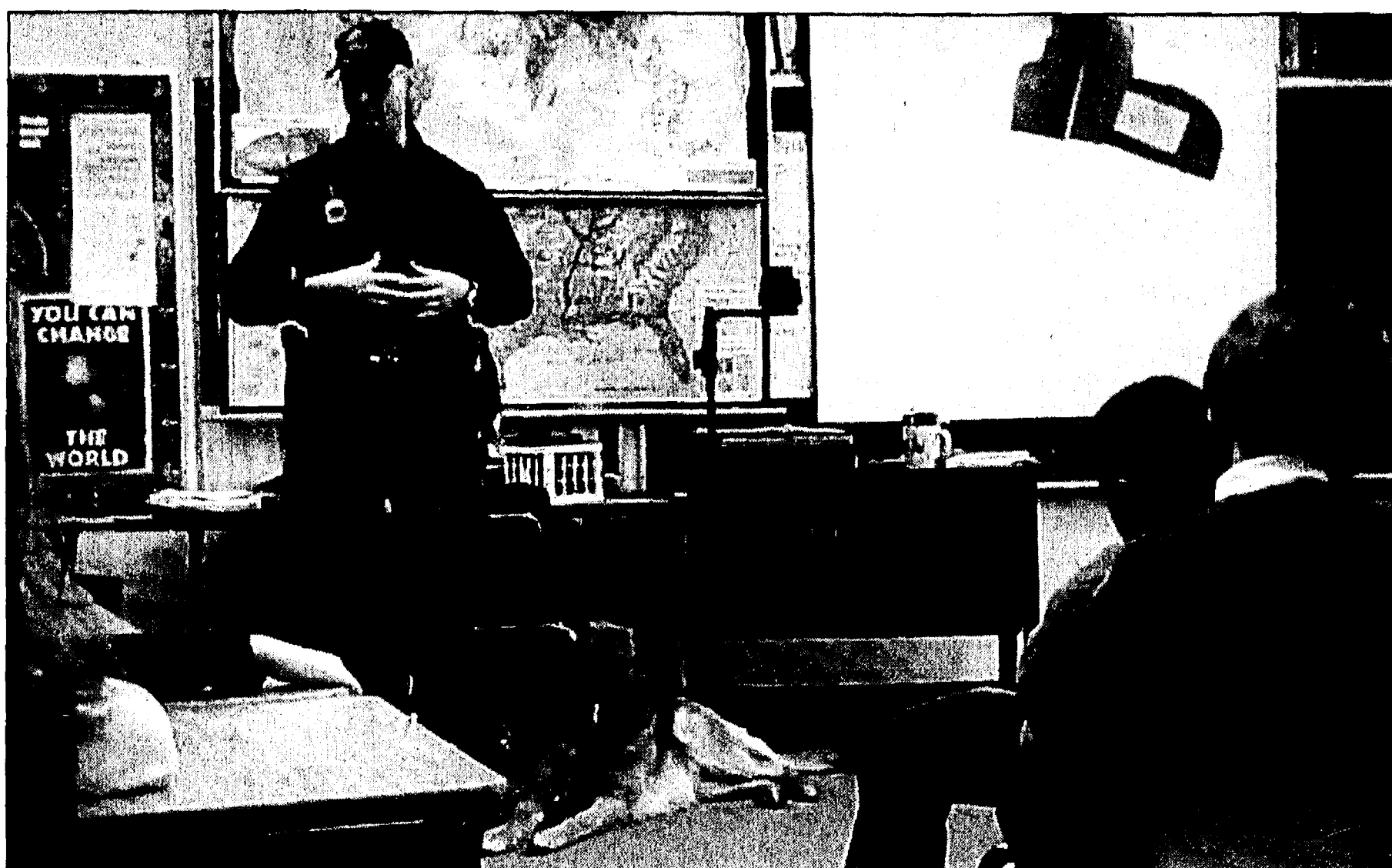
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Junior Deputy Program features K9 presentation



On April 10, the Junior Deputy Program at Grayling Elementary School featured a presentation by Trooper Terry (and his partner Valor) from the Houghton Lake State Police K9 unit. Trooper Terry informed the class about the different activities that his partner does, including searching for missing persons, drug detection, and searching for fugitives that attempt to elude police. Trooper Terry brought a training device that smells like narcotics, hid it in the classroom, and Valor found the item after searching the room.

Tribes push for review of tuition waiver program

by Michael Carney
Capitol News Service

Two Northern Michigan tribes want changes in how the state calculates tuition waiver payments to public colleges so payments are based on how many Native American students actually attend.

The tribes are not necessarily asking for more money for the program, said Mary Lindemann of Michigan Tribal Advocates, which represents the Little Traverse Band of Odawa Indians and the Lac Vieux Desert band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians.

"We just want to make it correct and equitable," she said. "There may be more of a cost, but it still needs to be equitable."

Funding is based on counts of Native American students conducted in 1996, and the numbers haven't updated since, Lindemann said. The lack of current statistics means some universities don't receive their appropriate share of money and others receive too much, she said.

Until 1995-96, funding for the tuition program came from a specific item in the higher education budget. A veto threat by then-Gov. John Engler pushed the allocation into the general budget for universities and community colleges, according to Kyle Jen, a senior fiscal analyst with the House Fiscal Agency.

The House Fiscal Agency is

the nonpartisan arm of the House of Representatives that studies tax and budget matters for legislators.

Without a specific allocation, it is difficult to know exactly what the Legislature intends to be spent on the tuition program each year, Jen said.

However, waiver costs have increased nearly 200 percent over the past decade, he said.

Under the 1976 Michigan tuition waiver law, all students who are at least one-quarter Native American and a state resident for at least 12 months can have their tuition waived at any state university or community college, Lindemann said.

Each tribe is responsible for certifying quarter-blood members who are thus eligible for the waiver.

More and more Native American students are taking advantage of the program.

For example, their enrollment at Lake Superior State University has increased greatly since 1996, now accounting for about 5 percent of its student body, said Lindemann.

The school enrolled 2,888 students last year, of whom about 145 are covered by the tuition waiver program.

Lake Superior State is the largest loser in percentage of tuition not reimbursed by the state, according to the fiscal agency. The university was estimated to be shorted \$468,817 in

2005-06, or 3.75 percent of its total state appropriation.

Michigan State University actually lost more money - \$497,986 - but that amount accounted for only 0.18 percent of its total allocation.

While all colleges are following the law, lack of money encouraged some to make it more difficult for Native Americans to qualify for the waiver, said Allie Greenleaf Maldonado, an attorney in Harbor Springs and member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

"Since I've began working for my tribe, each year I've assisted tribal citizens in securing the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver at various statewide schools," she said. "Although most students have been successful in overcoming these obstacles, others have given up."

"As long as some public institutions are underfunded and others are overfunded, some public institutions will continue to limit use of the waiver program."

Lindemann said, "All we are asking is to collect the numbers each year and adjust the funding. There's no reason it can't be fixed."

The state may not even be complying with the law, she added.

Under the law, the Michigan Commission on Indian Affairs is supposed to report annually the number of students in the pro-

gram.

Funding for the program should be based on counts for the previous three years, Lindemann said. Since counts haven't been conducted in 11 years, the law may be being broken.

There are other concerns with the waivers as well.

With the passage of the 2006 affirmative action ban known as the Michigan Civil Rights Initiative, many programs are under fire for providing benefits based on race or ethnicity.

Maldonado argues the tuition program is protected because it is not an ethnic program.

Federally recognized tribes, such as Maldonado's, are considered sovereign nations under federal treaties.

"The Michigan Indian tuition waiver is legal because it is based on a political relationship, not a racial classification," she said. "One of the fundamental tenets of sovereignty is the ability to deal with other sovereigns."

A review by the Michigan Civil Rights Commission in March supports the tribes' claims.

"The tuition waiver remains valid under Proposal 2 because it does not grant preferential treatment based on race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin," the commission said. "Tribal status is a political category based on the relationship between the federal government and tribes as sovereign entities."

HONORS

Girls State Delegates

Girls State Delegates for 2007 were named by Jeri Selthoffer, Girls State Chairman, American Legion Post #106 Auxiliary.

Two local delegates will attend this summer's Girls State Program. Girls State is a nonpartisan program that teaches young women citizenship and love for

God and their Country. They learn first hand how their state and local government work. The program was started by the American Legion in 1937.

Two girls are selected from each state's Girls State program to attend Girls Nation, a national government training program. As "Senators," they will spend a

week in Washington D.C. where they will run for office, campaign for the passage of legislation and meet with state Representatives and Senators. This includes a meeting with the President of the United States at the White House.

This year's delegates for Girls State are Kathryn L. Zill, sponsored by the Eagles Auxiliary of Grayling, and Fawn Filley, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary of Grayling, Post #106.

Davenport University

Chad Hamina, of Roscommon, has been named to the Davenport University Dean's List for the fall 2006 semester. To achieve the Dean's List, a student must maintain a minimum 3.5 grade point average while enrolled in at least nine credits of regular course-work.

Northwood University

Jessica Green, of Grayling, has been named to the Dean's List for the winter term at Northwood University. To achieve Dean's List recognition, students must earn a 3.25 grade point on a 4.0 scale. Jessica is the daughter of Karl and Cheri Green of Grayling.

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Sports seasons for volleyball, girls basketball to switch next year

US Supreme Court opts not to review lawsuit vs. MHSAA

■ **Girls tennis, boys tennis, girls golf, and boys golf also to swap seasons**

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

Due to a lawsuit against the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA), several

high school sports will swap seasons next year, creating a variety of challenges for coaches, athletic directors, officials, and student-athletes all over the state of Michigan.

The lawsuit, which was filed in 1998 and recently ended with the US Supreme Court denying a request by the MHSAA to

review the case, claimed that some of Michigan's sports season alignments put girls at a disadvantage for college scholarships since the high school sports seasons did not coincide with college sports seasons. The MHSAA, which oversees high school sports playoff tournaments in Michigan for its mem-

ber schools, has had girls basketball in the fall and girls volleyball in the winter, while college girls basketball is played in the winter and college girls volleyball is played in the fall.

Locally, six Grayling High School sports – girls basketball, girls volleyball, girls tennis, boys tennis, girls golf, and boys

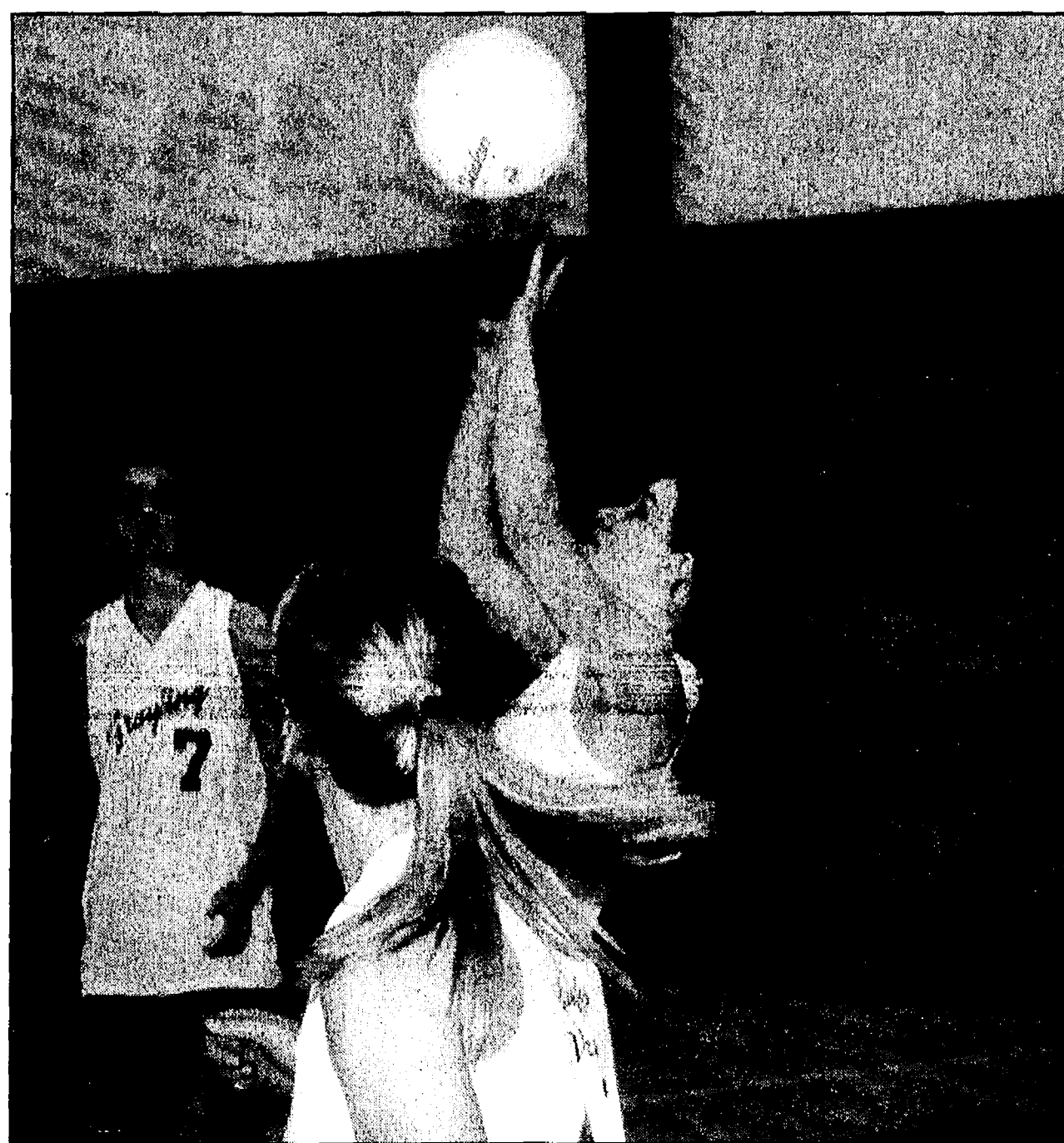
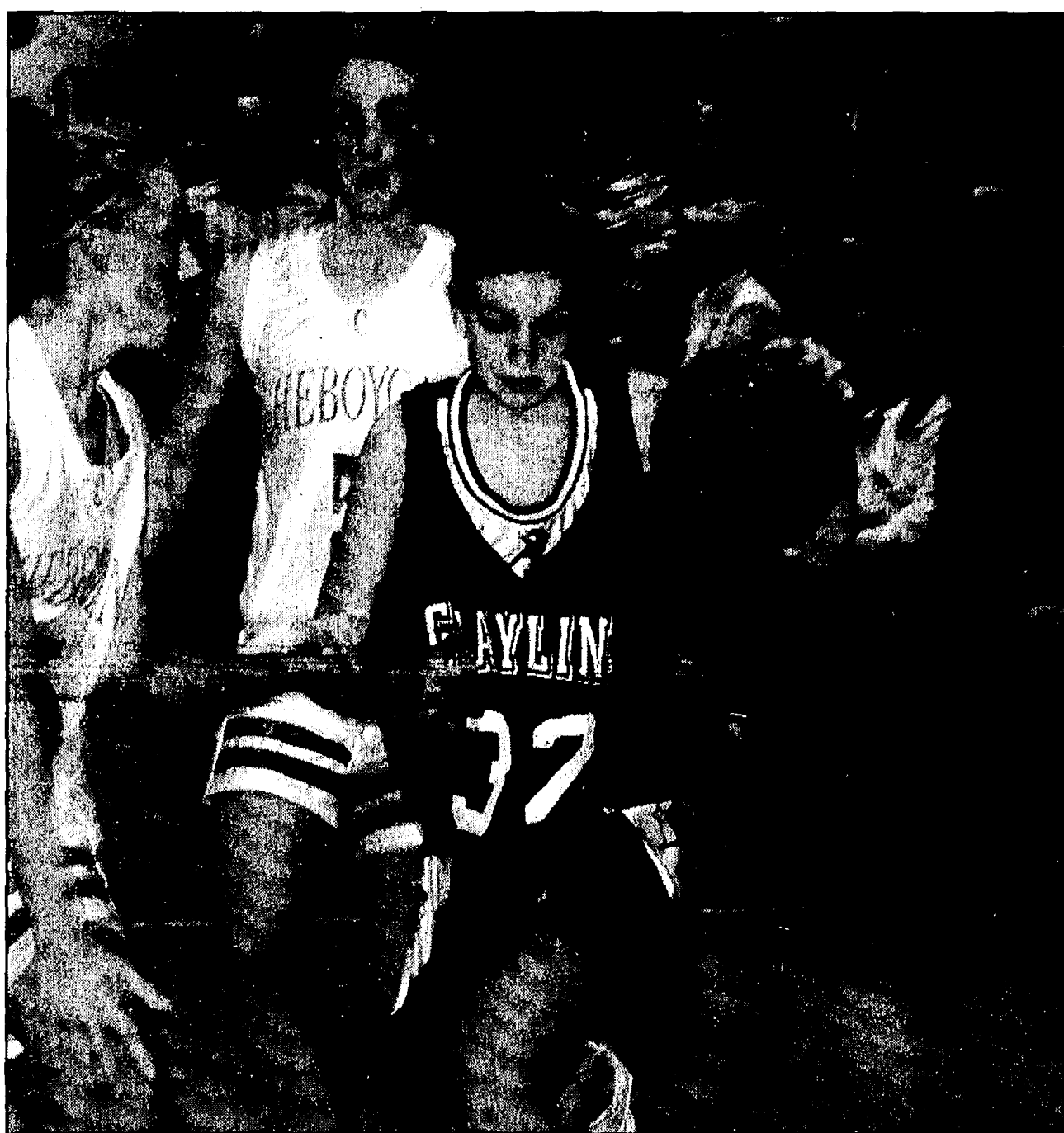
golf – will change seasons next year due to the final result of the lawsuit.

Girls basketball will now be played in the winter – the same time as boys basketball is played – and girls volleyball will move to the fall season. Girls tennis will move from fall to spring, boys tennis will move

from spring to fall, girls golf will move from spring to fall, and boys golf will move from fall to spring.

"It will be a really interesting year to see how this all pans out," said Doug Pummell, athletic director for Grayling High

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Starting with the fall 2007 sports season, high school girls basketball and girls volleyball will switch seasons. Girls basketball will now play in the winter and girls volleyball will move to the fall sports season.

4th annual martial tournament held at GHS

■ **2007 Battle at the 45th Parallel features 500 competitors and 1,800 spectators**

New World Karate's 4th Annual Battle at the 45th

Parallel, a two-day open martial arts tournament held at Grayling High School last Friday and Saturday, featured about 500 competitors and 1,800 spectators this year.

"It went real well," said Larry

Burns of New World Karate (NWK), a local martial arts school based in Frederic. "We're getting more organized. The school was fantastic as

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Friday night's divisions in the 2007 Battle at the 45th Parallel included continuous sparring (left) and weapons (right).

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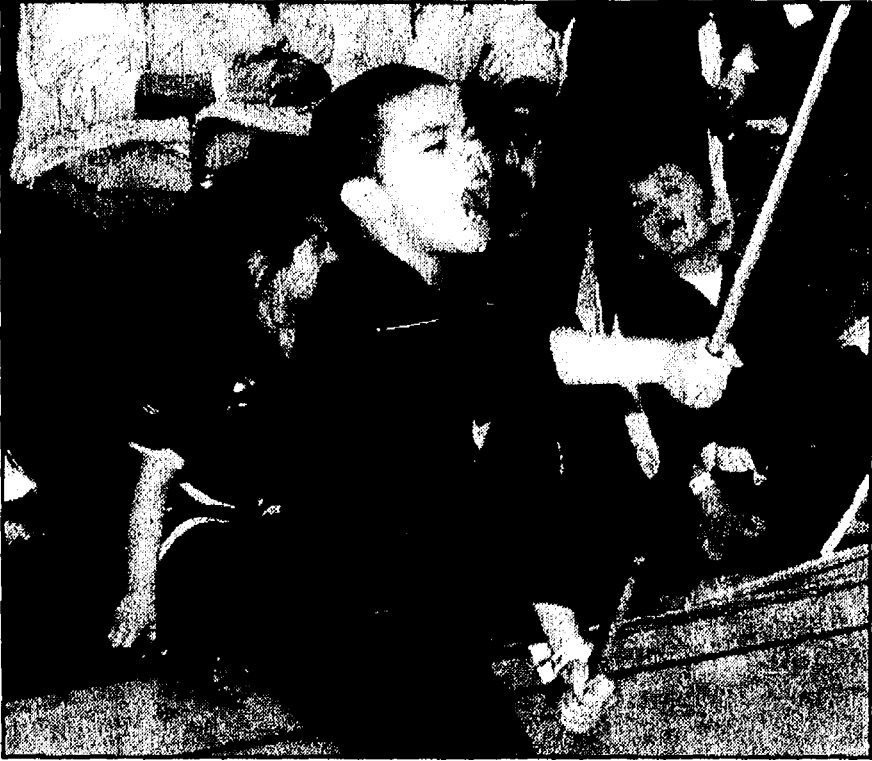
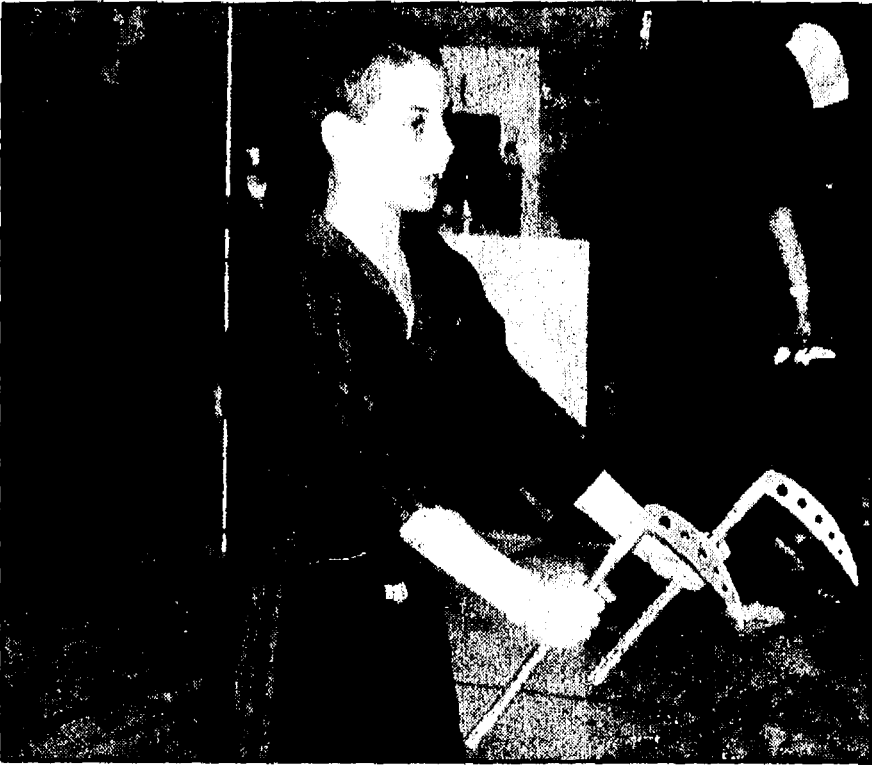
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Weapons division competitors perform at the Battle at the 45th Parallel on Friday night at GHS.

4th annual martial tournament held at GHS

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always. I think this year was the most organized, getting people in and out. We added more divisions this year, so we should have more people next year.”
On Friday night, the tourna-

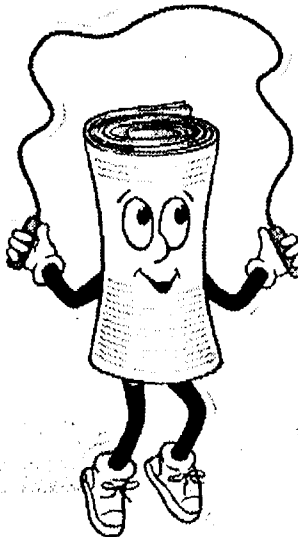
ment included weapons, breaking, continuous sparring, self-defense, and team sparring. On Saturday, the event included traditional forms, open forms, and point sparring during the day. During the Night Time Finals,

held in the GHS auditorium on Saturday evening, the top competitors in several black belt divisions battled on stage for division championships in breaking, self-defense, weapons, and sparring.

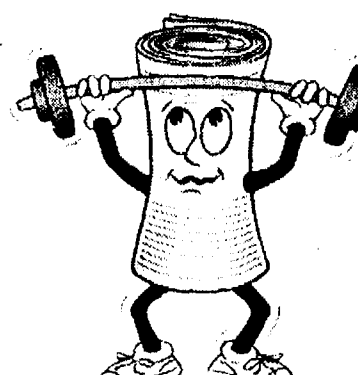
“We couldn’t do this without the Crawford AuSable School District. They were excellent. The community helped make this a success,” Burns said. “We’re looking forward to next year.”



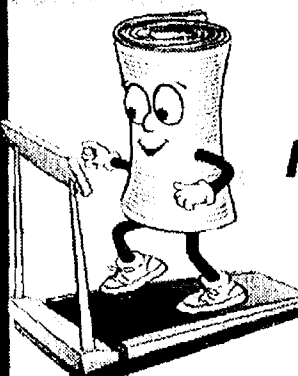
Friday night’s tournament competition also included continuous sparring (above) and forms (below).



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Golf outing to raise money for GHS football program

■ Four-person golf scramble to be held at Grayling Country Club on May 5

The Grayling High School football program is still accepting registrations for its 2007 Grayling Football Golf Scramble, a fund-raising event that will be held at the Grayling Country Club on Saturday, May 5, at 10 a.m.

"All proceeds will go directly to the Grayling High School football program. The money raised will be used on football supplies and to purchase video equipment that will help us build a successful program," said Ben Brock, head football coach at GHS.

The fee to participate in the Grayling Football Golf Scramble is \$240 per four-person team. The fee includes 18

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Registration forms are also available at the GHS office.

For more information, contact Brock at (989) 387-4479 or Rocky Tobin at 348-5722.

Sports seasons for volleyball, girls basketball to switch next year

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School. Pummell said the changes will present several challenges, including gym time, getting referees, and scheduling.

With both the boys and girls basketball programs playing during the winter season, the increased number of basketball games per week may create problems getting enough experienced referees, Pummell said.

Different athletic leagues are taking different approaches to handling both basketball seasons during the winter. Grayling's league, the Lake Michigan

Conference, will start the year with the JV and varsity girls playing on Wednesday and Friday nights, and the JV and varsity boys playing on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Halfway through the season, the girls will switch to Tuesday and Thursday and the boys will move to Wednesday and Friday.

"Non-conference games might be on different nights," Pummell said. "We'll have to match up with whatever their league is doing."

The format for freshman basketball games will vary. On some nights, the 9th grade boys and

girls will play on the same day at the same site, and other times single freshman contests will be held at the middle school during the same time as JV contests are being played at the high school.

The girls basketball season will start one week before the boys season to keep the playoff tournaments somewhat separated, but some schools will be playing in boys basketball districts while their girls basketball team is playing in regionals.

In volleyball, Pummell said teams will play mostly on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

"Other states that have made

the season changes, their participation numbers have gone down. Hopefully that won't happen here. We'll monitor that," Pummell said. "A big concern is how is this going to affect students and what sports they play, having enough student athletes to support certain teams."

"We're working hard on completing the schedule and getting officials and setting up gym times with other sports and other activities," Pummell said. "It's just going to be an interesting year next year. I'm sure there will be some things that come up. We'll make it work."

KIRTLAND GOLF



Chris Zuiker

The Kirtland Community College mens golf team has a new leader this spring, as it prepares to hit the links for the 2007 season.

Kirtland athletic director Douglas Ryckman recently announced that 47-year-old Chris Zuiker of Higgins Lake was hired as the head coach of the Firebirds golf squad. Zuiker was officially hired on March 12, and immediately took over preparations for the upcoming season.

"We're very excited about Chris joining the Firebirds coaching staff," Ryckman said. "He brings a wealth of experience to our golf team, not to mention a love of the game that is sure to rub off on his players."

Zuiker, who graduated from Ferris State University in 2000 with a bachelor's degree in professional golf management/marketing, has been employed as the head golf professional/general manager of the Grayling Country Club in Grayling since 2004. He previously served as the head golf pro at the Timber Wolf Golf Club in Kalkaska, as well as the director of instruction/camp coordinator for the Bulldog Golf Foundation in Midland.

"I've spent about 20 years teaching golf at private clubs, even teaching inner-city groups," Zuiker said. "Teaching is what really was attractive about this (coaching job at Kirtland) for me."

"I like the personal challenges of the game and the experiences you have while playing it, and the relationships you develop," he added.

Zuiker said he started golfing nearly 35 years ago, when his father first started taking him out on the links. But, he's willing to admit that he's not nearly as competitive as he was in his younger days.

"I still enjoy the game, the challenge of the game," he said. "Now that I have these guys, the competitive fire should come

back to me."

But he also stresses that players should enjoy the game for what it is.

"Bottom line, it has to be fun or there's not much of a reason to be out there," Zuiker said. "It needs to be fun for these guys to keep them coming out to do what they need to be doing."

The team's roster currently includes sophomores Matt Tompkins (Fairview) and Drew Goulette (Ogemaw Heights), and freshmen Gordon Jacobs (Fairview), Zachary Miller (Roscommon), Mark Wejrowski (Grayling) and David Schuhmaker (Ogemaw Heights).

"I look forward to the challenge of building a program, getting these kids I don't know at this point and seeing how I can make them better by the end of this season, which I will," Zuiker said. "And then seeing what we can build here in the future."

"This is a very exciting time," Ryckman said. "We all look forward to watching coach Zuiker and these handful of linksters build the future of Firebirds golf."

Zuiker is the Firebirds third golf coach since the program played its first season in 2001

under coach Mike Glover. Zuiker replaces Ken McClusky, who had coached the team since 2005. McClusky's contract was not renewed this spring, according to Ryckman.

Zuiker and his wife of 27 years, Donna, have two children — a son, Brad, 25, and a daughter, Kate, 22.

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Senior Bowling

Grayling Pharmacy . . . 90 - 30
Flowers By Josie . . . 68 - 52
Gaylord Electric . . . 63.5 - 56.5
Kickin Grass . . . 59 - 61
Bear's Den Pizza . . . 57 - 63
Sylvester's . . . 51 - 69
Spike's . . . 50.5 - 69.5
Lone Pine . . . 41 - 79
High Series Women: M. Rysso, 500; D. Doremire, 483; P. Harris, 452. High Game Women: D. Doremire, 192; M. Rysso, 176; P. Harris, 165. High Series Men: L. Crampton, 621; D. Williamson, 584; P. Faustman, 523. High Game Men: L.

Crampton, 246; D. Williamson, 206; P. Faustman, 204.

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McDonald's . . . 36 - 12
Grayling Rest . . . 30 - 18
T. C. Lawncare . . . 26 - 22
Cal Dutton Const. . . 26 - 22
"S" B's . . . 23 - 25
G.B.D. Const. . . 20 - 28
Tim's Collision . . . 20 - 28
Spicy Bob's . . . 11 - 37
High Series: N. Glasslee, 550; P. D'Amour, 545; and M. Rock, 533. High Game: P. D'Amour, 237; N. Glasslee, 202; S. Johnson and J. Coors, 199.

Sunday Mixed Doubles

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Jerry's Jokers . . . 52 - 39
Gray Rock Cafe #1 . . . 52 - 39
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Gray Rock Cafe #2 . . . 48 - 43
Spikes . . . 38 - 53
River Rats . . . 34 - 57
Dennco . . . 23 - 68
High Series Men: B. Harris, 547; L. Wyatt, 518; R. Strohpaal, 515. High Game Men: B. Harris, 200; E. Brosky, 197; R. Tinker, 195. High Series Women: C. Wyatt, 476; T. Rock, 460; R. Brown, 442. High Game Women: R. Brown, 179; C. Wyatt, 176; T. Rock, 176.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Catherine Belski, AKA Catherine A. Belski, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to State Farm Bank, F.S.B., Mortgagee, dated May 16, 2003, and recorded on May 28, 2003 in Liber 636 on Page 232, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Six And 28/100 Dollars (\$87,556.28), including interest at 4.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 9, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: That part of lot 62, River Forest Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 01 of plats, Page 72, Crawford County Records, Lying North of the meander line described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 62, thence North Easterly along the right-of-way of High Road 137.83 feet; thence South 22 degrees 45 minutes East, 536.9 feet; thence South 50 degrees 18 minutes West, 100 feet; thence North 24 degrees 09 minutes West, 480.4 feet to point of beginning. Being part of Lot 62, River Forest Subdivision. And that part of Lot 61, River Forest Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 01 of plats, page 72, Crawford County Records, lying North of the meander line described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 61, thence Northeasterly along the right-of-way of High Road 124.35 feet; thence South 19 degrees 50 minutes East, 527.0 feet; thence South 50 degrees 18 minutes West, 100 feet; thence North 22 degrees 45 minutes West 536.9 feet to point of beginning. Being part of Lot 61, River Forest Subdivision

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600...3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from

the date of such sale.

Dated: April 5, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC F 248.593.1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #136518F01

-5-12-19-26

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Cynthia S Johnston and James H Johnston, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated May 8, 2004, and recorded on July 14, 2004 in Liber 669 on Page 956, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand One Hundred Sixty And 18/100 Dollars (\$81,160.18), including interest at 6.91% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 16, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: All that part of the South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22 Town 26 North Range 2 West lying East of the County Road.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.
Dated: April 12, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #116495F02

-12-19-26-3

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by:

Tammie M. Ledesma, A Single Woman to

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Intervale Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 10, 2006 and recorded August 15, 2006 in Liber 682 Page 799 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: U.S. Bank National Association as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of November 1, 2006 MASTR Asset Backed Securities, Trust 2006-HE4 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-HE4, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$56,685.48) including interest 10.34% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling, MI at 10:00AM on Wednesday, May 2, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan,

and are described as:

Lot 4, Block 24, Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

Commonly known as 706 Park St, Grayling MI 49738

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: MARCH 22, 2007 U.S. Bank National Association as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of November 1, 2006 MASTR Asset Backed Securities, Trust 2006-HE4 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-HE4,

Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.

811 South Blvd. Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 07-67189

-29-5-12-19

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dorothy Fryer, a single person, original mortgagor(s), to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated July 7, 2003, and recorded on August 29, 2003 in Liber 649 on Page 548, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eleven Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-One And 41/100 Dollars (\$11,561.41), including interest at 6.1% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 9, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South half (S 1/2) of Lot 35 of McNamara's Valley No. 2, as per the recorded plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 5, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #136837F01

-5-12-19-26

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sheri Marie West, a married woman and Randall Keith West, her husband and Edward J. Walker, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated June 2, 1999, and recorded on June 15, 1999 in Liber 484 on Page 01, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Eight And 61/100 Dollars (\$55,978.61), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 9, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, Block 13, of Portage Heights, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 23, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 5, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #063537F03

-5-12-19-26

SYNOPSIS SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING APRIL 10, 2007 UNAPPROVED

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
Attending: Luck, Kozlowski, George, Janisse and Musselman.
Absent: None.
Public Comment: None

Motion by Luck, and seconded by Janisse, to accept consent agenda, March Regular Meeting Minutes, bills and invoices paid, and projected bills for April, and the Treasurer's Report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Kozlowski, and seconded by Luck, to approve a 3 % increase in salary for the Fire Chief. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Musselman, and seconded by George, to approve the following expenses by the Fire Department: First Trauma Life Support Class \$540.00, EMS Expo \$1,258.44 and to accept the bid from Eedy Gutters at \$458.00. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Janisse, and seconded by Luck, to accept the revised Fire/EMS Protection Agreement between SBT and Kirtland Community College as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Luck, and seconded by Kozlowski, to pay invoice from NEM-COG, in the amount of \$1,971.96 and the invoice from the Township attorney in the amount of \$1,458.00 for work done on the Zoning Ordinance. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Luck, and seconded by George, to have Township attorney create ordinances for Motor Vehicles, Blight, Enforcement and a Notice of Ordinance Violation, at a cost of \$200.00 each. Also, to cover training for the Board, Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and Zoning Administrator, at a cost of \$400.00. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Janisse, and seconded by Musselman, to accept MMR Contract as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Kozlowski, and seconded by Janisse, to remove the Administration Fee

for the present. Roll call vote: Ayes: Kozlowski, Luck, George, Janisse and Musselman. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Kozlowski, and seconded by Luck, to accept for payment the invoice from Burnham and Flower in the amount of \$14,154.67 for the Annual Pension costs. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Luck, and seconded by George, to accept the 3yr contract from Pitney Bowes for the Township postage meter at a cost of \$5,616.00. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Kozlowski, and seconded by Luck, to approve the renewal of service contract with A-Tech Office Equipment for the Township and Fire Hall, pending the clarification of coverage, in the amount of \$480.00 and \$192.00 respectively. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Kozlowski, and seconded by Musselman, to approve the cost of the two upcoming Large Item Days at \$6,936.80. Dates for the days are to be published in the local papers. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Janisse, and seconded by Kozlowski, to approve the cost of attending the MTA District Meeting on May 22, 2007 by the Board, at \$75.00 each. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Luck, and seconded by Kozlowski, to have the Township's yearly audit conducted by James M. Anderson, P.C. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Public comment was heard.
Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

STATE OF MICHIGAN 87th JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/ POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION

CASE NO. 06-4120-GC-1
Court address
200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738 (989) 348-2841

Plaintiff
AUTO OWNERS INSURANCE COMPANY, a Michigan Corporation, subrogee of Nancy Brown

Plaintiff's attorney
Bradley L. Putney (50980)
1120 E. Front Street, Suite D
Traverse City, MI 49686
(231) 922-9688

Defendant
MARTY JO RICHARDSON
3602 Chase Bridge Road
Grayling, MI 49738
TO: Marty Jo Richardson
IT IS ORDERED:

You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to Recover Money Damages. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before 5/31/2007. If you fail to do so, a default judgement may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

A copy of this order shall be published one each week in the Crawford County Avalanche for three consecutive weeks, and a proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

Date: 4-9-07
Judge
Honorable Monte J. Burneister P48732

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT- FAMILY DIVISION FILE NO. 07-7265-NC

In the matter of Destiny Mae Hoffman TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: whose address(es) are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following: TAKE NOTICE: Hearing on Petition to Change Name on 5/23/07 at 1:30 p.m.

April 13, 2007
Laura J. Schang
60 Beauty Dr.
Grayling, MI 49738
989-344-2313

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Maple Forest Township Zoning Board of Appeals to hold public hearing

The Maple Forest Township Board of Appeals will meet in public session on Tuesday, May 3, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the township hall to hear public comment on the following zoning request.

Case # ZBA 07-1
Petitioner: Kevin and Demarys Mortenson
Address: 2603 Babbitt Road
Grayling, MI 49733

Property ID# 020-028-010-020-07
Location: T28N, R3W, Sec 28
Parcel Size: 10.10 acres
Zoning: Farm Forest
Request: Allow the side yard setback to be reduced to 2.3 feet from the required minimum of 20 feet.

ATTENTION SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS NOTICE

CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN-UP

1. Holders containing flowers, grave blankets and other "Winter Decorations" must be removed from gravesites at the Township's Pioneer and Rock Cemeteries by May 1, 2007, to allow for "Spring Clean-Up". Any items left after this date will be removed and disposed of at the discretion of the Sexton and the Township Board.

2. Township residents are asked to assist the Sexton and Board Members with a voluntary "Clean-Up" project to take place on Saturday, May 5, 2007, at 9:00 am. Please call the Township office at 989-275-8232, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-12:00 pm, if you have questions and/or you are interested in participating.

For the South Branch Township Board
Tom Kozlowski, Supervisor

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP NOTICE

THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE "ZBA" (ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS)

WILL BE HELD AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL

TUESDAY APRIL 24TH @ 7:00 P.M.

ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS PLEASE CONTACT THE TOWNSHIP, MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 A.M. TO NOON 989-275-8232

FOR THE BOARD
SUPERVISOR
TOM KOZLOWSKI

FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
April 19, 1984

The Grayling Rotary Club will finance the construction of two attractive signs at the south and west entrances to the city, welcoming visitors and informing them of coming events. The tasteful displays were designed by Terry Dickinson, of Bay City, who has painted many murals in Grayling and was the director of the remodeling of Weaver's Gift Shop.

The winners of the Milltown Pool League, during its second year was the Legion team of Doug Nielson, Buford Muth, Richard D.L. Bulley, Ron Baker, Rudy Sauter, Curt Morency, Chuck Millhouse, Jerry Cichy, and Grizz Bear.

Ward Jones earned a trip to state finals with a first place at regionals and Brian Kernstock also won a trip with a third place finish. Both Grayling Middle School wrestlers will compete at Grand Rapids Jr. College in state finals.

A grand opening for the newly expanded Glen's Market and Family Center in Grayling will be held on April 19, capping seven months of construction and improvements at the store. Highlighting the grand opening will be the unveiling of Glen's new Bakery and Deli Shop. Adjacent to the bakery and deli is another new feature, a coffee

shop with eight tables for shoppers to sit at and enjoy a cup of brew or baked goodies and deli treats. Also added at Glen's is Clark's Pharmacy, offering prescription service and a full line of pharmaceutical goods.

In middle school news, Mrs. Judi Mesack's journalism classes published and sold their first edition of "In The Middle" and worked hard to get their second edition to the publisher before Easter vacation. They are experimenting to see if they prefer a two or three column page. The journalists are entering a journalism competition sponsored by their publisher A.G. Hardin Company.

Approximately 65 people attended the 1984 Grayling wrestling banquet at the high school. Special awards given out to some of the wrestlers were Captains Award to Tom Sorenson, Most Valuable to Ron Wyman, Most Improved to Barsie Cross, and 100% Effort to Tim Moore. The only senior this year, Tom Sorenson, gave a fitting and touching tribute to Coach Ferguson.

46 Years Ago
April 20, 1961

The senior class of Grayling High will hold its final car wash on Saturday, April 22, at the high school garage, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be a pick-up and delivery service and \$1.50 covers

everything.

The interior of the Grayling Township Hall on Ottawa Street is being redecorated.

Curley's Drive In, on Old 27 north, is being completely redecorated inside and soon work will start on the exterior.

The Grayling High School Glee Club, numbering 46 girls and 10 boys, traveled to Alpena to take part in the annual District Choral Festival. The Glee Club went into the competition under the severe handicap of lacking their director, Mrs. Roy Milnes who was stricken Friday night with the flu and was unable to accompany them. The Girls Glee Club received a superior, or number one rating, while the mixed group received a high rating, it was not superior.

The Grayling Viking thinclads had little trouble in rolling to their first track victory of the season last Thursday as they triumphed over the Kalkaska Blue Blazers 80 - 24 at the cinder lanes at the Grayling Memorial Recreation Area. Scoring firsts for the Vikings were Gross, in the 120 yard low hurdles; the mile relay team of Goodrich, Kroll, Thayer, LaMotte, and Lovely; Beery, in the mile run; Rochette, in the 180 yard low hurdles; Gust, in the 220 yard dash; Sink, in the half mile; half mile relay team of LaMotte, Rochette, Sink and Stephan; Goodrich, in the high jump; Gross and Lovely, tied in the pole vault; Roberts, in the shot put and Sink, in the broad jump.

69 Years Ago

April 21, 1938

Chris Hoesli and Ernest Borchers, who conduct a canoe livery, providing canoes and guides for river trips are building a canoe house on the bank of the AuSable River near the State Street Bridge. It will hold 32 canoes.

Mr. and Mrs. William Granger of Beaver Creek opened a new and used clothing and shoe store in the Holger Schmidt building opposite the jail. It is known as the Bargain Store.

Arthur Clough has moved a building to the property on the corner of Chestnut and US-27 and is making it into a dwelling house for him and his family.

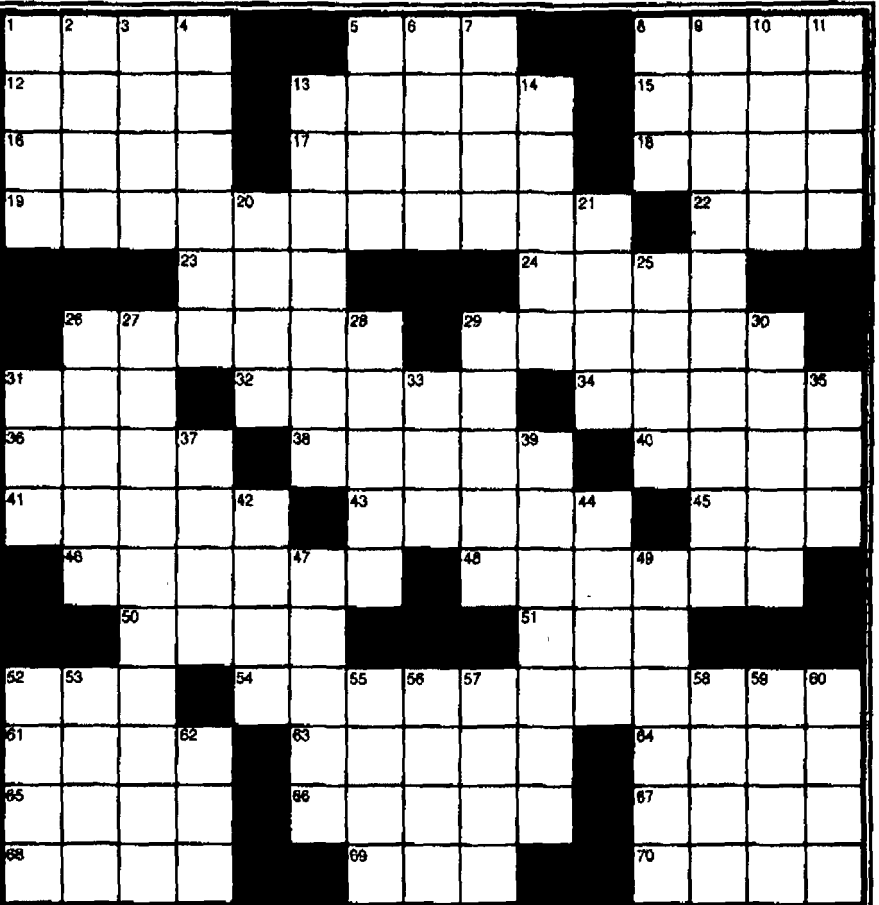
92 Years Ago
April 22, 1915

Nemesius Nielson last week exchanged 19 head of fine young cattle toward the Philip Moshier residence near the school house. Mr. Moshier continues to reside there.

Tony Nelson, armed with a check for \$2,000, left Grayling on Monday for St. Paul, Minn. where he expects to purchase cattle for the R. Hanson cattle ranch.

Andy Hart is driving his new Ford car. Being unable to use his feet, this has been arranged with a special set of hand levers to be used instead of foot pedals. Andy says that he has made two trips to Frederic and he has had no problem in operating the machine.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Ardent devotees.
5. Put in a horizontal position.
8. Rough projection arising from an object's center.
12. Function customarily occupied by another.
13. Slender, elongated, solid substance.
15. Enter someone else's territory and take spoils.
16. Same.
17. Daughter of the goddess of justice Praxidike.
18. Dourly, actor.
19. Bringing to an end.
22. Acronym for Accuracy Speed and Style.
23. Saint ... Irish bishop.
24. Exclaims in great joy.
26. In this document.
29. Assume a drooping posture.
31. Huge, powerful bird in Arabian mythology.
32. Composed of relatively large particles.
34. Polynesian tree with bright red flowers and hard wood.
36. Object that represents an aspect of a character.
38. Showing happiness.
40. Foolish person.
41. Nine daughters of Zeus and Mnemosyne.
43. In a reversed direction.
45. Scottish or Northern English word for "no."
46. Move outward.
48. Legendary serpentine creature.
50. Term used in Thailand as a formal closing to a sermon.
51. Until.
52. Resinous substance of insect origin.
54. Decorated with small pieces of colored glass fitted together.
61. Oxime.
63. Running knot that binds closer the more it is drawn.
64. Prepare by chemical processing in order to preserve.
65. Small lunar impact crater located on the Mare Imbrium.
66. Low spirits.
67. Bishop of Edessa from 435 to 457.
68. Other than what is under consideration.
69. Mystical straight line between features of a landscape.
70. Filled with water and descended to the bottom.

Down

1. Move along rapidly and lightly.
2. Basque numismatic deity of the air.
3. Acronym for Nuclear Engineering Education Research.
4. Warmest season of the year.
5. Italian coin equal in value to the French franc.
6. Assist, usually in some wrongdoing.
7. Large, hairy humanoid creature said to live in the Himalayas.
8. Urban area.
9. Sweet liquor distilled from the juice and crushed pits of a wild cherry.
10. Slanting diagonally across the grain of a fabric.
11. Probability of a specified outcome.
13. Person having a strong liking for something.
14. Descriptive term for the kidneys.
20. Japanese video game console developer and publisher.
21. Wind god.
25. Particular gradations of color.
26. One who cheats.
27. Species distinguished by ecological features.
28. Nymph of lakes and springs and rivers and fountains.
29. Council convened to discuss ecclesiastical business.
30. Member of the family Homidae.
31. Basketball hoop from which the net is suspended.
33. Workplace for the conduct of scientific research.
35. Someone who copies the behavior of another.
37. Acronym for Neo Earth Of Return Versation.
39. American pop, psychedelic and folk rock band.
42. Center of authority.
44. Spy employed to follow someone and report their movements.
47. Rephrase.
49. Gentle slope, especially a sloping bank of fortification.
52. Roundish projection as of an organ.
53. Town in the Dutch province of Zeeland.
55. Deep emotion.
56. Having a number that is not a part of something.
57. Catch sight of.
58. One of the ancient Near East's oldest cities, now called Umm el-Marra.
59. Eldest son of Ephraim.
60. Place in a public building where a service is provided.
62. Acronym for Mining Research Establishment.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



Tuscany Tuna Fillets

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|---|---------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|
| 4 | 5 oz. tuna fillet pouches | 1 | 14.5 oz. can of diced tomatoes |
| 1 | tsp. olive oil | 1/2 | tsp. basil, dried |
| 2 | cups polenta, prepared | 1/2 | tsp. parsley, dried |
| 2 | garlic cloves, minced | 1/2 | tsp. oregano, dried |
| 4 | cups fresh baby spinach | 1/4 | tsp. sugar |

Sauté garlic cloves in olive oil in a nonstick skillet for 1 minute-do not allow garlic to brown. Add spinach; sauté until wilted. Add tomatoes, basil, parsley, oregano and sugar; cook over medium heat, until heated through. Prepare polenta according to package. Heat tuna fillets according to package. Place polenta on plate and top with tuna fillets. Put tomato and spinach mixture over tuna fillets. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese as desired.

Makes 4 servings

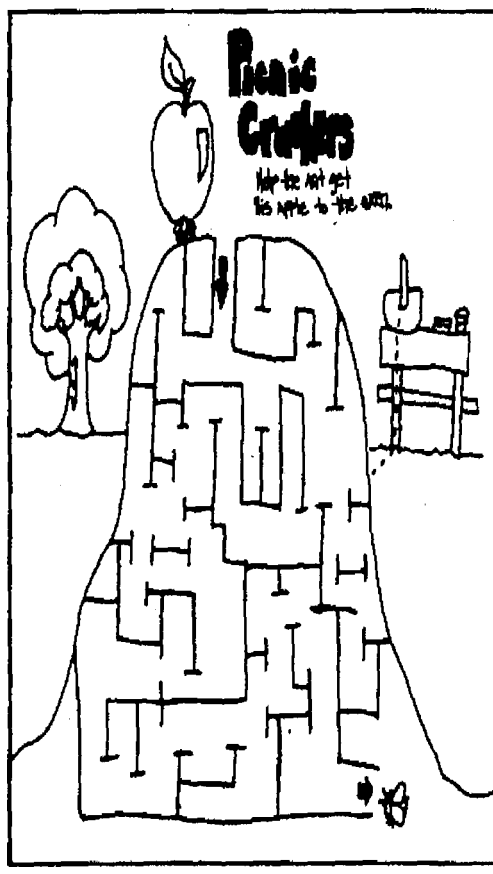
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Susie

is a one year old tortoise shell cat. She is very pretty, affectionate and active. She is easy to get along with and all ready for a home.

Chucky

is a wonderful mixed breed dog. We can't believe that no one has snapped him up as he is well mannered, housebroken and good with other dogs. He is just a really nice guy.



The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling

Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall

Hours: Open 9 to 3 Monday thru Saturday, 9 to 12 on Sundays and Holidays

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website www.ascc.petfinder.com

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 19, 2007

<p>April 22 - May 19</p>	<p>March 21 - April 19</p>	<p>June 22 - July 22</p>	<p>September 23 - October 22</p>
<p>July 20 - August 18</p>	<p>April 20 - May 20</p>	<p>July 23 - August 22</p>	<p>October 23 - November 21</p>
<p>January 19 - February 20</p>	<p>May 21 - June 21</p>	<p>August 23 - September 22</p>	<p>November 22 - December 21</p>

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)					
Date	H	L	Precip. Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
4/11	41	12	0						
4/12	34	25	0.21						
4/13	33	29	0.01						
4/14	40	16	0						
4/15	48	21	0						
4/16	49	21	0						
4/17	52	28	0						
				High 53	High 57	High 58	High 66	High 59	High 54
				Low 31	Low 32	Low 41	Low 46	Low 40	Low 35
				Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Showers	Mostly Cloudy

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Crawford County Avalanche

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1. Real Estate

REDUCED. Remarkable purchase available. Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with full-size basement near Grayling. Only \$59,900. Frisbey Real Estate. Toll free, 866-670-4656. (-19-26/1)

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1. Real Estate

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BY OWNER 205 State Street. Three bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, upgraded kitchen, master bed and bath, sun room, windows, vinyl siding, garage, \$89,900. Call 231-263-0231 or cell 989-619-5561. (4/5/07tf/1)

1. Real Estate

LITTLE SHORT on down payment? Lease with option to purchase. Available on 205 State Street, \$89,900. 231-263-0231 or 989-619-5561. (-19-26/1)

2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. 2482 Sandy Trail, south off M-72, 7.3 miles east of Grayling. Price reduced. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

NEW HOME river access, 104 Black Bear \$125,000, cabin \$75,000, 989-348-4840. (-19-26-3-10/1)

1. Real Estate

MOBILE HOME FOR SALE. 70x14 living/dining expando. 1989 Victorian, must move. (-19-26/1)

2. For Rent

MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT \$425 and up, some pet restrictions. Also trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

WORKING IN THE AREA and need housing by the week or month? We can help. North Country Lodge. 348-8471. (LR5/10/07/2)

3 BEDROOM HOUSE for rent. \$600. 989-348-6534. (-12-19/2)

2. For Rent

ROOM TO RENT with household privileges, separate bathrooms. M-72 area East of Grayling. No indoor smoking. \$250 per month. 906-293-8724 or 989-348-5040. (-12-19/2)

2 BEDROOM DUPLEX Garage, appliances, heat. \$630/month. Security \$500. 989-390-0027. (4/12/07tf/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT on the AuSable River, 12 miles east of Grayling, 2007 S. Town Line Rd., off M-72 and Wakeley Bridge Rd. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, range, refrigerator, washer, dryer, completely remodeled. \$600/month, plus \$600 security. References and credit check, no pets. 989-348-4716. (4/12/07tf/2)

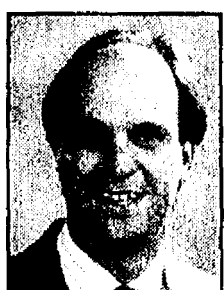
2. For Rent

SMALL UPDATED 2 BED-ROOM near Lake Margrethe. Utilities, deposit \$475. No pets, no smoking. 989-344-2482. (-12-19-26/2)

2 BEDROOM 1 BATH house. Electric heat. \$485/month plus deposit. Only 10 minutes from Grayling or Kalkaska. Call 231-275-6887. (-12-19/2)

TWO BEDROOM DUPLEX'S. 8114 Insley Ave. \$490. 810 Park St., \$480. Extensive remodeling in progress. Available April 24. 989-348-2178. (4/12/07tf/2)

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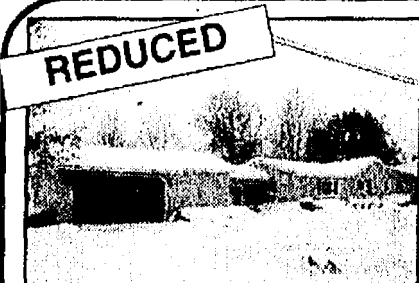
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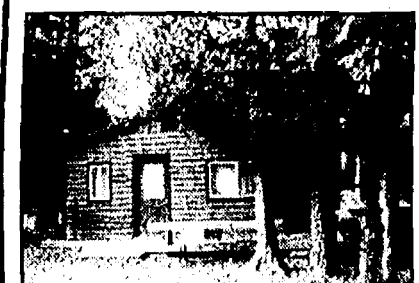


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1. Real Estate



2 bedroom, 2 bath home, only lived in 3 months, 1,188 square feet, vaulted ceilings, fireplace, 2 car attached garage in nice small subdivision, 2 miles from Higgins Lake. \$89,900 #5826

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NEW LISTING
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NEW LISTING
This 2 bedroom home has a nice location 1 mile from town, close to bike trails, Hanson Hills and Lake Margrethe. Open floor plan, large kitchen with plenty of cabinets and beautiful fireplace. Attached garage. \$79,900 #5827

REDUCED
A little TLC will bring a large dividend to this cozy home. With spacious, open living/dining room, 3 bedrooms and 2 full baths, this is a great opportunity. Lot offers plenty of room for a garage. #5702 \$51,900

NEW LISTING
Rock bottom price!! 27 acres, 8 bedrooms, 3 baths, over 4,000 S.F. Lower level needs a little TLC otherwise the home is in good condition. Home features 2 kitchens and 2 living rooms and so much more... \$169,900 #5714

NEW LISTING
Awesome package! Handicap accessible & features 2 baths, living room, family room with a nest design & door to backyard decking. Family room would also make a great master bedroom suite. Basement has den & 2nd laundry hook up & rec room. \$117,500 #5752

NEW LISTING
20 acres of property!! This mobile home offers 2 bedrooms and 1 bath. Property has shed and 2nd trailer. All this located in the Lovells area for only \$69,000 #5651

NEW LISTING
This is a great "Up North" retreat. Brick fireplace, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage, beautiful private covered deck and additional extensive decking. Association includes club house, lake access and swimming pool. \$129,000 #5716

NEW LISTING
Commercial building with high visibility from Old 27 and County Road 612, in Frederic. Lot is approx. 100 x 200 and the building is 1456 S.F. with an office and bathroom facility. Mobile home slab on property. \$89,500 #5790

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Just Listed
Lots of updates in 2004! New heating system, hot water baseboard, new windows upstairs, new bedroom doors upstairs, paint, carpet, vinyl, kitchen cabinets, dishwasher, outside doors, front porch, insulation in attic and new bathroom floor. #250027 \$96,000



Just Listed
Beautiful 1 acre lot in great wooded subdivision with state land behind home. Quality built ranch home offers full partially finished basement, brick fireplace, hardwood floors, ceiling fans, large wood deck off back, cement driveway and sprinkler system. #250033 \$142,900



Reduced
Good starter home or investment. This could even be that cabin you are looking for. #248523 \$44,200



Trout fishing/snowmobiling cabin or first home. This meets all the needs. Located between Louie's Landing and Keystone landing with the AuSable River less than 1 mile away. Lots of trails close-by. 1 year home warranty included. #244932 \$69,900



3 Bedroom, 1 bath chalet on 1.59 acres with large 2-car garage and steel roof. Nestled in a private setting, yet close to town. Large deck and shed. A must see!! #246755 \$118,000

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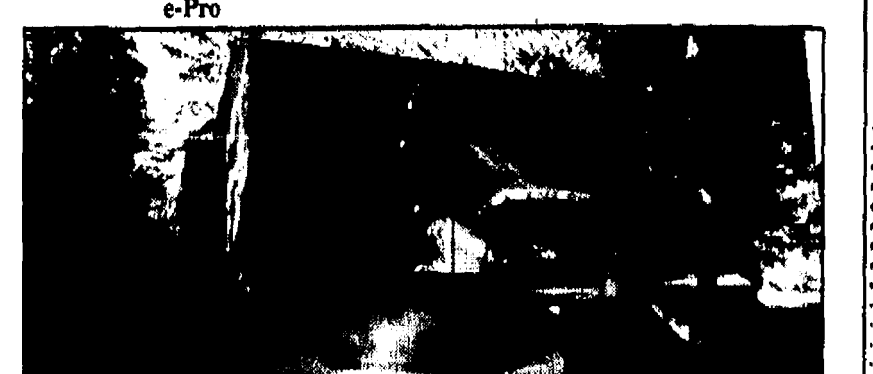
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This parcel offers great hunting for deer and bear, and great trout fishing for brooks and browns. Only 10 minutes west of Houghton Lake. You must take a look if you are an outdoors person! 77 acres with river frontage. #245887 \$190,250
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NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION. Posting date: April 17, 2007. Position: Grayling High School freshman Girls Volleyball Coach. Qualifications: Coaching ninth grade girls to develop basic volleyball skills. Apply to: Joseph P. Powers, Superintendent, Crawford AuSable Schools, 1135 North Old 27, Grayling, MI 49738. Deadline: 12 p.m., April 30, 2007. (-19-26/3)

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3. Employment

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5. For Sale

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ESTATE AUCTION April 21, 10 a.m., Mio. Lewiston Michigan Estate, watch Web site for details and pictures or call, Lets Talk Auction Company, 989-848-5151. www.LetsTalkAuction.com. (-19/8)

8. Announcements

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9. Personals

HAPPY BIRTHDAY KAY Love Ron. (-19/9)

10. Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE M-72 East, Grayling, April 21 and 22. (-19/10)

HUGE PROJECT GRADUATION garage sale, Sat., April 21, 2007, 9-5, AuSable Primary cafeteria. Household items, baby items, home interior, furniture. Items collected for a year, coming out of storage. Too many items to mention, must see. Come support Project Graduation. (-19/10)

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